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January 16, 1933 To March 14, 1933

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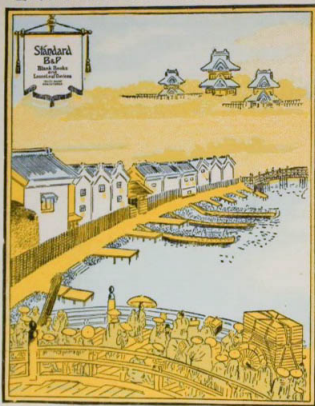
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January 16, 1923

Galax Electric Company,
Galax, Virginia.

Gentlemen:

Replying to your letter of the 13th instant, please be advised that the Mint does not make commercial assays and it will be necessary for you to correspond with some reliable commercial assayer.

Although the Mint does not recommend any outside parties, the firm of J. W. Richards & Son, 1118 - 19th Street, this city, I believe does work of the kind you desire.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

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January 16, 1933

National Gold Refiners,
311 Loews State Building,
Los Angeles, California.

Gentlemen:

Replying to your letter of the 12th instant, you are advised that if your old gold-filled jewelry will have a value of \$100.00, it may be forwarded here for purchase if accompanied by one-fourth of its weight in sterling silver, in order that the large amount of base metal contained in filled jewelry will be corrected by the silver accompanying your deposit.

The Mint charges \$1.00 for melting up to 1000 ounces and a treatment charge which varies with the amount of base metal contained in the deposit and it would therefore be to your interest to have that content as small as you can make it.

Please accompany any consignments you may make with a letter of advice.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

January 16, 1933

Mr. E. C. Henry,
405 Heylman Street,
Fort Scott, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 13th instant, I have to advise that the Mint is unable to supply any information regarding the laws and regulations pertaining to mining and I would suggest that you write to the United States Land Office, Denver, Colorado.

Your stamp is herewith returned.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T
Enclosure

January 16, 1933

Mr. Walter Goerss,
5374 Union Boulevard,
St. Louis, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Answering your note of the 12th instant, you are advised that the Mint will purchase your old gold when sent in lots having a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold content equal to not less than one-fourth of the weight of the material.

If your shipment should include much filled ware, one-fourth of the weight of such material should be in high grade silver.

Consignments should be addressed to the United States Mint, Denver, Colorado, have all transportation charges prepaid and be accompanied by a letter of advice.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T

Stamped envelope returned

January 16, 1933

Mr. E. E. Willey,
Nycl Apartments, No. 104,
Sioux City, Iowa.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 12th instant, you are advised that the Mint pays \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold contained in deposits accepted for purchase, this being the only basis on which such material is accepted.

Deposits must have a minimum value of \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver, content equal to at least one-fourth of their weight.

A melting charge of \$1.00 and a small treatment charge is imposed on all deposits, the latter depending on the amount of base metal the deposit contains.

Kindly accompany any consignments you may make with a letter of advice.

Respectfully,

Frank N. Shepard, Superintendent

OE:T

January 16, 1935

Mr. C. E. Stapleton,
Buhl, Idaho.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of recent date, you are advised that if your gold will have a value of at least \$100.00 and contain not less than one-fourth of its weight in pure gold, or pure gold and silver, it may be forwarded here for purchase.

I would suggest that if you contemplate forwarding much filled ware, you accompany same with at least one fourth of its weight in high-grade silver.

Kindly accompany any shipments you may make with a letter of advice.

Your stamped envelope is returned herewith.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T
Enclosure

January 16, 1933

Mr. Axel Lundburg,
Ignacio, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your postal card of the 13th instant, you are advised that two full troy ounces of gold is the minimum weight of deposits accepted for purchase, provided your gold is placer or mined gold and it should be free from mercury, rock, sand, etc. If your gold complies with the above conditions, you may be forwarded here, accompanying same with a letter of advice.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

January 16, 1933

Mrs. E. C. Patten,
Charles City, Iowa.

Dear Madam:

Replying to your letter of the 7th instant, you are advised that in order to sell your old gold jewelry to the Mint, it will be necessary for you to gather enough to make a deposit having a value of \$100.00 and your deposit must also contain at least one-fourth of its weight in pure gold. Should you be doubtful about this latter requirement, you may add some high grade silver to your shipment in order that its pure gold and silver content will equal one-fourth of the weight of your deposit.

It is impossible to determine the value of your gold before receipt at the Mint as your metal has to be melted and assayed before its value can be ascertained.

The Mint does not employ nor have any agents to whom you could sell your old material.

If your deposit is satisfactory, the Mint will pay you \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold which it contains, less a melting charge of \$1.00 and a treatment charge based upon the amount of base metal it contains, and it would be very much to your interest to send as much high-grade gold or sterling silver with your deposit as it may be possible for you to do.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

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January 16, 1933

Mr. J. A. Carlton, Manager,
Veterans' Administration,
Room 319-A, Custom House, Denver.

Dear Sir:

This will be handed you by Mr. Ernest F. Moessner, Scale Repairer at this institution, who has been requested to have a medical examination in order to be extended beyond his retirement age.

Mr. Moessner has been in the service a number of years and is one of our valued employees. Your courtesy in giving him this examination will be greatly appreciated.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

January 16, 1933

Mr. J. S. Ballard,
211 East Broadway,
Centralia, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Answering your note of the 10th instant, I have to advise that if the old gold to which you refer will have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold content equal to one-fourth of its weight, it may be forwarded here for purchase.

It is not necessary to melt your miscellaneous articles into bars before forwarding them to the Mint.

The Mint pays \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold contained in deposits, less \$1.00 for melting and a small treatment charge based upon the amount of base metal.

Kindly accompany any shipments you may make with a letter of advice.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

January 17, 1928

Mr. John C. Dorland,
Mitchell, South Dakota. Box 697

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 12th instant, you are advised that the Mint pays \$20.67 per troy ounce for the pure gold contained in deposits accepted for purchase, the various articles comprising which being melted into one bar and payment being made for the gold contained in the mass after assay.

A melting charge of \$1.00 is imposed on each deposit, as well as a treatment charge which is regulated by the amount of base metal contained in the material.

No deposits are accepted where the pure gold content is less than one-fourth of the weight of the deposit, which must also contain a value of \$100.

It usually requires from three to six days to issue payment for shipments and should you decide to forward any material here for purchase, please accompany same with a letter of advice.

The Mint imposes no requirements as to the method of shipment, but I would suggest that you forward your material by insured parcel post, registered mail or prepaid express. Your consignment should be addressed to the United States Mint, Denver, Colorado.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

January 17, 1933

Hettie Ballard,
910 West 11th Street,
Wichita, Kansas.

Dear Madam:

Answering your inquiry regarding the Indian head one cent bronze piece, you are advised that this design was first manufactured in 1859 of the following description: -

Obverse. United States of America an Indian head to left, with feather bonnet on band of which is Liberty; below 1859. On the reverse side; ONE CENT within an olive wreath.

In 1860 the above design was modified somewhat; the obverse remaining the same but on the reverse side "One Cent" was placed within an oak wreath with three arrows inserted under the ribbon that binds the two branches of the wreath; above, between the ends of the branches, the shield of the United States. This design was manufactured until 1908, when slight modification was made.

Respectfully,

Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T
Stamped envelope returned

January 17, 1933

Mr. Seth Pomeroy Holcombe,
79 Spring Street,
Hartford, Connecticut.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your request for certain coins of this institution under date of the 12th instant, please be advised that application for new coins must be made to the Treasurer of the United States, Washington, D.C., as per the enclosed circular.

Upon receipt of authority from the Treasurer, I shall take pleasure in sending you the coins you desire.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

January 17, 1933

Mr. Arthur C. Kelly,
Denver, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir:

I am returning herewith the twenty cents enclosed with your note of the 13th instant, with the information that application for new coins must be made to the Treasurer of the United States, Washington, D.C., as per the enclosed circular.

Upon receipt of authority from the Treasurer, I shall take pleasure in sending you the coins you desire.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T
Enclosure

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Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

Respectfully,

I would suggest that you send not less than \$20.00 more in good gold for addition to this shipment in order that it will comply with the regulations of the Mint.

amount.
I fear that your material will even closely approximate that must have a minimum value of \$100.00, and it does not ap-
pounds, I have to advise that deposits of this character of the 12th instant, weighing upon receipt here 6.71 troy
With reference to your consignment under date

Gentlemen:

John E. Clark Company,
Mills Building,
El Paso, Texas.

January 17, 1933

January 17, 1923

Mr. C. H. Stroughn,
Nederland, Colorado. #345

Dear Sir:

Referring to your consignment under date of the 14th instant and your request that 20% royalty of the proceeds thereof be forwarded to the owners, The Tungsten Products Company, Boulder, Colorado, I have to advise that only one check in payment is issued on each deposit and it would therefore be impossible for me to comply with your request regarding this royalty.

However, a copy of the Mint memorandum of returns could be sent to the owners which would show the weight of the deposit, its pure gold and silver content, the charges imposed and the net payment made you, if you so desire, and pending further advice from you, I am holding this material without treatment and have to request that you will let me hear from you promptly.

Respectfully,

Frank M. Shepard, Superintendent

CE:T

January 17, 1933

Mr. J. Marks,
C/o Erigel Jewelry Company,
3203½ Troost Avenue, Linwood & Troost,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 13th instant in reference to your deposit at the Mint in which you request that I use so much of the gold-filled material as will be suitable in treating your deposit and return the remainder to you, please be advised that the Mint could not assume the responsibility of making up satisfactory deposits for the depositor, hence, if too much of the filled ware was added to your gold, it would be necessary to reject your bar.

In order to make your entire lot of material satisfactory for purchase, it will be necessary for you to send not less than 5 ounces of high-grade silver to increase its precious metal content, and upon receipt of same, I will proceed to treat your material.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

January 17, 1933

Mr. W. E. O'Brien, Attorney,
700 Insurance Building,
Omaha, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 16th instant, you are advised that gold is purchased on the basis of the troy ounce for which the Mint pays \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold contained in deposits.

The Mint accepts old jewelry in lots having a minimum value of \$100.00 when the pure gold, or pure gold content is equal to approximately one-fourth of the weight of the deposit.

A melting charge of \$1.00 is imposed on each deposit up to 1000 ounces and a treatment charge which is regulated by the amount of base metal contained in deposits.

Payment is made by check on the Treasurer of the United States and is usually issued within three to five days after shipments are received at the Mint.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

Enclosed envelope returned

January 17, 1933

Miss Martha M. Dinamoer,
General Delivery,
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Madam:

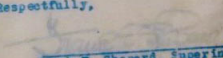
Answering your letter of the 16th instant, please be advised that the Mint now imposes a melting charge of \$1.00 on each deposit accepted for treatment and also a parting and refining charge according to the amount of base metal the material contains.

Old gold jewelry is not accepted for purchase in lots having a value under \$100.00 and such deposits must have a pure gold or pure gold and silver content equal to approximately one-fourth of their weight.

Trusting this is the information desired by you,

I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

Three-cent stamp returned

January 17, 1933

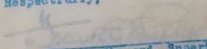
Mr. P. W. Pollman,
La Cygne, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your consignment under date of the 14th instant, which you state has a weight of 288 pennyweights (which would equal 14.40 troy ounces), you are advised that upon receipt here your industrial scrap weighs 13.82 troy ounces and owing to this discrepancy in weight, I am holding your material without treatment until advised by you that this weight meets with your approval.

Your consignment under date of the 13th instant, weighing 13.51 troy ounces, is satisfactory and has been entered for treatment.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

January 17, 1933

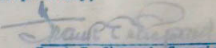
Mr. T. L. Davies,
Falls City, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your letter of the 11th instant,
I have this day returned to you by express, charges collect,
the gold scrap forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase.

Regretting that I could not be of service to you
in this matter, I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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January 18, 1933

Mr. B. C. Yates,
General Manager, Homestake Mining Co.,
Lead, South Dakota.

My dear Mr. Yates:

Replying to your letter of the 16th instant, I have to enclose 2 copies of the Mint returns on your shipment of the 14th instant and have forwarded the original of these returns to:

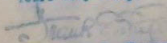
Homestake Mining Company
495 - California Street, Room 910,
San Francisco, California.

This procedure will be followed until contrary instructions are received from you.

Assuring you that I am glad to comply with your request

I am,

Yours very truly,


Frank E. Sheyard,
Superintendent.

OH:Mc

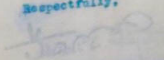
January 18, 1933

Mrs. Sadie Glenn
Raydon
Oklahoma.

Dear Madam:

Your package has been received and the gold scrap contained therein weighing 1.60 Troy ounces will be returned you upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance, the Mint not accepting deposits of this character having a value under \$100.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard
Superintendent.

CH:Mc

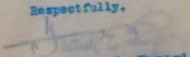
January 18, 1933

Mr. Morris Goffman
Room # 301
1308 - Broadway
Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 16th instant, relative to your deposit of the 14th instant and which reached the Mint on the 16th instant, I have to advise that upon receipt here your material weighed 76.73 Troy ounces or $2/100$ of a Troy ounce less than the weight given in your letter of advice. Inasmuch as this practically checked the weight given in your letter of advice, your material was entered for treatment and after melting it weighed 76.42 Troy ounces, the weight as received and after melting having been checked by several employees. Under these circumstances, it is not possible that you included in your shipment the $11\frac{1}{4}$ ounces to which you refer in your letter received this morning, from which it would appear that you have made a mistake in some of your later calculations. Check in payment of your deposit will be mailed you probably tomorrow.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard,
Superintendent.

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January 18, 1933

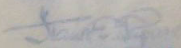
Mr. P. M. Eys
General Delivery
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

I regret I am unable to accept for purchase your amount of dental gold and scrap weighing upon receipt here 1.81 Troy ounces, the regulations requiring that deposits of manufactured gold articles have a minimum value of \$100.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance your gold will be returned you.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard
Superintendent.

CH:Mc

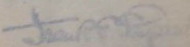
January 16, 1933

Mr. Earl A. Alexander
Oursay
Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 16th instant, relative to the charges imposed on your deposit of September 19th amounting to \$2.29, I have to state that the Mint places a melting charge of \$1.00 on all deposits up to and including 1000 ounces or fraction thereof and ten cents for each additional 100 ounces or fraction thereof; also a parting and refining charge which is based upon the amount of base metal contained in deposit and an alloy charge for the copper required to render the deposit suitable for coinage, these charges on your deposit being, respectively, \$1.00, \$1.26 and \$0.03, a total of \$2.29.

Respectfully,



Frank R. Shepard,
Superintendent.

CH:Mc

January 19, 1933

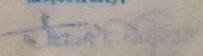
Mr. B. C. Clark
Purcell
Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 17th instant, relative to your deposit of 33.62 Troy ounces received at the Mint early this month and have to advise that under date of the 7th instant a letter was forwarded you at Tulsa stating your deposit had been received and was being held pending the receipt from you of a letter of advice pertaining thereto, the regulations prohibiting the treatment of deposits until such a letter had been received.

Your letter of the 17th will be used as a letter of advice and your material has now been entered for treatment and in future you are requested to accompany each shipment with a letter of advice.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard
Superintendent.

CH:Mc

January 19, 1933

Mr. Robert Caldwell
Delcarbon
Colorado.

Dear Sir:

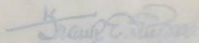
Referring to your letter of the 14th instant, enclosing 10 cents in postage for the return of your small consignment of old jewelry, the value of which is below the minimum the regulations permit me to accept for purchase, I have to advise that 1.76 Troy ounces is the gross weight of your material, it being impossible to determine its pure gold content without melting these articles into a bar and then assaying the bar, for which reason I am also unable to advise you of its true value since this also could only be ascertained by knowing definitely the amount of pure gold contained in your several articles, but I would guess the value to be around \$5.00

While the Mint does not recommend any outside dealers nor assume any responsibility for returns received when the names of dealers are suggested for the accommodation of depositors, it is probable you could dispose of this gold to Carl Blaurock, Mack Building, or Burlingame & Parker, 1901 Lawrence St., both of this city, and if you desire to do this I would suggest that you write to ~~or~~ ^{or these} dealers and request they call at the Mint and get ~~gold~~ ^{Gold}, returns to be made direct to you.

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I am therefore holding your gold and postage until farther advised as to your wishes in this matter and trust this action will be satisfactory to you.

Respectfully,

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Frank E. Shepard,
Superintendent.

CH:Mc

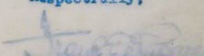
January 19, 1933.

Mr. Edmund Reilly,
1241 4th Ave. - SE,
Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Sir:

As requested in your recent letter, I have returned you this day by insured parcel post your small consignment at this institution, using 13¢ of the 30¢ enclosed by you to cover the postage thereon and enclosing 17¢ in postage here-with to balance. It would be impossible for me to give you the value of this material as that could only be ascertained by melting it and then assaying it.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

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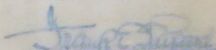
January 19, 1933.

The Valley Supply Co.,
Aberdeen, Idaho.

Gentlemen:

As requested in your letter of the 12th inst. I have this day forwarded your small amount of gold at this institution to the American Smelting & Refining Co., 617 McCormick Building, Salt Lake City, Utah, having used 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ in postage of the 21¢ enclosed by you and you will find herewith 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ to balance.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

CH-B

January 19, 1933.

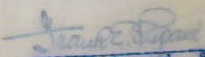
Mr. W. H. McMichen,
Cartersville, Ga.

Sir:

Answering your letter of the 16th inst., you are advised that it will require 22¢ for the return of your pieces of ore and mercury, 12¢ for postage and 10¢ for insurance, and upon receipt of same this material will be promptly returned to you.

Your buttons and retorts and grains, amounting to 4.10 Troy ounces have this day been entered for treatment and purchase.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

CH-B

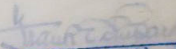
January 19, 1933.

Mr. J. A. Wilson, Postmaster,
Knox City, Texas.

Sir:

As requested in your letter of the 14th inst., I have
this day forwarded to Mr. Sam Carter, Rte 1, O'Brien,
Texas, the piece of ore recently forwarded by you to this
institution. The postage required amounted to 8¢ - 3¢ for
postage and 5¢ for insurance and as this is 3¢ more than
forwarded by you I would appreciate you forwarding me postage
in that amount which I have advanced.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

CH-B

January 19, 1933.

Mr. Edward L. Fernsten,
P. O. Box 7,
Carrizozo, N. M.

Sir:

With reference to your letter of the 13th inst., I have to advise that your deposit weighing upon receipt here 11.77 Troy ounces is in acceptable condition for purchase by the Mint, and future deposits when in this condition may be forwarded here for purchase. When collecting your gold with mercury it is necessary that this be distilled off as you have done in this instance, as the Mint does not accept deposits of amalgam. The Mint has no circulars giving any information of this subject for distribution. Payment for your deposit will be forwarded you within the next few days.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Dapert, Superintendent.

CH-B

January 19, 1933.

Mr. Charles W. Demerest,
c/o Miss Minnie Walker,
Jamestown, Colo.

Sir:

I regret to say that it has been necessary to reject your small consignment forwarded here on the 16th inst. owing to the fact that its base metal content greatly exceeds the maximum which deposits may contain in order to be acceptable for purchase and to impose a melting of \$1.00 to cover the melting charges thereon, which you are requested to forward to me at your earliest convenience by money order.

In this connection you are advised that the gross weight of your deposit is 2.33 Troy ounces, package B weighing .94 of a Troy ounce, this forming part of the gross weight.

Upon receipt of the \$1.00 melting charges and the necessary postage and insurance your small bar will be returned to you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

CH-B

January 19, 1933.

Mr. J. E. Vogel,
Asst. Cashier, The Montana Nat'l Bank,
Billings, Montana.

Sir:

Referring to the small piece of gold forwarded with your letter of 17th inst., weighing upon receipt here 1.41 Troy ounces, you are advised that two full Troy ounces of gold is the very minimum accepted for purchase, and upon receipt of necessary postage and insurance it will be returned to you.

In this connection, please be advised that in no event could the Mint accept a deposit under the stipulations mentioned in your letter.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

CH-B

January 19, 1933.

Mr. M. L. Gross,
1936 South Broadway,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:

Referring to your deposit No. 1, under date of 17th inst., I have to advise that this shipment weighs upon receipt here 11.11 Troy ounces in lieu of 11-3/8's ounces as stated by you.

Before proceeding to treat this material, I would appreciate your advising me if the weight as received here meets with your approval.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

CH-B

January 19, 1933.

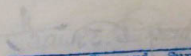
Mrs. Mary Hennessy,
Victor, Colorado.

Dear Madam:

I am in receipt of a deposit bearing your name on the outside, but to date have not received from you a letter of advise pertaining thereto, which is necessary in all cases before deposits may be entered for treatment.

Please advise me promptly,

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

January 19, 1933.

Mr. Charles H. Edmundson,
Naco, Arizona.

Sir:

Several days ago I received from you a deposit weighing upon receipt here 13.39 Troy ounces, but to date have not received from you a letter of advice covering this shipment, which is necessary before it may be entered for treatment.

Kindly advise me at your earliest convenience and oblige

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

January 19, 1933.

Mr. A. C. Urie,
Hansen, Ida.

Sir:

I regret to say that I am unable to purchase your small amount of gold which weighs upon receipt here 1.94 Troy ounces, as two full Troy ounces is the very minimum which may be accepted for purchase. If you are unable to send the necessary amount to give your deposit a weight of two full Troy ounces, it will be returned to you upon receipt of necessary postage and insurance.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

January 19, 1933.

Mr. A. J. Asper,
Kingman, Kansas.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 16th inst., you are advised that the Mint will purchase old gold and gold filled scrap when sent in lots having a value of not less than \$100. and a pure gold or gold and silver content equal to at least one-fifth of the weight of the deposit. Payment is usually made within three to six days after deposits have been received. Shipments may be made by insured parcel post, registered mail or prepaid express as depositor may desire. All consignments must be accompanied by a letter of advice.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

CH-B

January 19, 1933.

Mr. Loren Wisbey.
Delphos, Kansas.

Sir:

Replying to your note of the 14th inst., you are advised that the Mint does not buy copper in small amounts, the minimum being forty tons.

Respectfully,

CH-B

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

January 19, 1933.

Mr. L. J. Stover,
434 Summit St.,
Little Rock, Ark.

Sir:

Answering your letter of the 15th inst. you are advised that the Mint will purchase old gold and silver when sent in lots having a value not under \$100. and a precious metal content equal to at least one-fourth of the weight of the deposit.

If you include much filled ware in your shipments, you should accompany same with at least one-fourth of the weight of such material in high grade silver, owing to the large amount of base metal contained in filled jewelry.

The Mint does not purchase old gold and pay so much for the different classes of articles, but by the amount of pure gold and silver contained in such articles when they have been consolidated into a bar and an assay made of the bar to determine its pure gold and silver content; \$20.67 being paid for each Troy ounce of pure gold and a nominal treatment charge which is based upon the amount of base metal contained in the deposit, less \$1.00 for melting. All shipments must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

January 19, 1923,

Mr. W. R. Reed,
c/o General Delivery,
Fort Dodge, Iowa.

Sir:

Answering your letter of the 16th inst. you will find enclosed full instructions relative to the receipt of deposits at the Mint from which you will note that no metals are purchased other than gold and silver, deposits of which must have a minimum value of \$100 and a precious metal content equal to at least one fifth of the weight of the deposit. Consignments must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have all transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

CH-B

January 19, 1933.

George Kadin Company,
314 Empire Building,
Milwaukee, Wis.

Gentlemen:

Answering the request enclosed with your letter of advice, I regret to say that our stock of Form 104-B for use in shipping deposits to the Mint is entirely exhausted, and I am therefore unable to forward you a supply at this time. It will, therefor, be necessary for your to accompany your shipments with letter of advice until such time you may be furnished with such form.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

CH-B

January 19, 1933.

Mr. E. M. Knight,
Omaha, Nebr. General Delivery.

Sir:

Answering your postal card of the 16th inst., I have to advise that the Mint has no information as to the value of any old coins, as it does not deal in such articles, nor am I able to advise you where you may obtain the desired information:

Respectfully,

Frank M. Shepard, Superintendent.

CH:B

January 19, 1933.

Mr. E. A. Kistenmacher,
Asst. Cashier, First Nat'l Bank,
Sulphur Springs, Texas.

Sir:

I have your letter of the 17th inst. and regret to say that the Mint cannot make an assay of the piece of ore which you are forwarding here for that purpose as the Mint is not equipped to do work of that kind. Reliable assays, however, can be made for you by the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, at a charge of \$1.00 for gold and \$1.00 for silver, each sample, money order to accompany specimens.

If you desire the return of the piece of ore which you are forwarding here, and which has not yet arrived, please forward the necessary postage and insurance at your earliest convenience as our vault space is very limited.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

CH-B

January 19, 1933.

Mr. L. J. Chandler,
Harlingen, Texas.

Sir:

Answering your letter of the 14th inst. you are advised that gold bullion consisting of placer gold or mined gold may be forwarded here for purchase when deposits have a minimum weight of two full Troy ounces of gold, although shipments of larger quantities must have a precious metal content equal to at least one-fifth of the weight of the deposit, the minimum deposits to consist of practically all gold. Gold in the form of old jewelry or Mexican coins must have a value of at least \$100. and a precious metal content equal to not less than one-fifth of the weight of the deposit.

In view of the fact that you anticipate purchasing your mined gold in Mexico, I would suggest that you forward it as coming from that country. All consignments must be accompanied by letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,

CH-B

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

January 19, 1933.

Mrs. Andrew Gilbert,
Kanorado, Kansas.

Dear Madam:

Replying to your letter of the 17th inst., please be advised that it would be impossible for me to give you any information as to the value of your chain without melting and then assaying it to determine its real gold content. The Bureau purchases old gold jewelry when sent in lots having a value not under \$100. where the pure gold content is equal to at least one-fifth of the weight of the deposit, paying \$20.67 for each Troy ounce of pure gold therein contained, less \$1.00 for melting and a nominal treatment charge. All consignments must be accompanied by a letter of advice.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

CH-B

January 19, 1933.

Mr. C. Arthur Dennis, Prin.,
Junior High School No. 1,
Haddon and Newton Aves.,
Camden, N. J.

Sir:

I have your letter of the 16th inst. and have to advise that while 1¢ bronze pieces were coined at this institution during the calendar year 1922, our entire stock was speedily exhausted and I am unable to suggest where you may now be able to obtain one of these coins unless from some coin collector, the Mint not having a list of any such dealers.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

CH-B

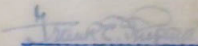
January 19, 1933.

Mr. W. P. Buck,
Deputy Collector,
Internal Rev. Service,
Aberdeen, S. D.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 17th inst., I am enclosing circular which will give you full information relative to the conditions under which deposits in the form of old jewelry, fillings, etc., are received at the Mint for purchase. You will note from this circular that gold and silver, only, are purchased by the Mints.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

CH-B

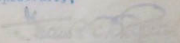
January 20, 1933.

Harry Kaufman, Inc.,
1316-28 Seventh St. NW,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:-

Referring to the General Schedule of Supplies, 1932,
Class 73-G-667-(a) Men's Horsehide Gloves, for which you
are the contractor, I wish to ask if you can supply these
gloves for the right hand, alone, at the same price for two
dozen separate gloves, as for one dozen pairs? I wish to
place an order for Horsehide gloves, and desire this in-
formation before issuing it. Your prompt attention will
be appreciated.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard,
Superintendent.

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January 20, 1933.

Mr. J. A. McVean,
7732 Main St.,
Kansas City, Mo.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 18th inst., you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold having a value of not less than \$100. when the pure gold content is equal to at least one-fifth of the weight of the deposit, paying \$20.67 for each Troy ounce of pure gold contained, less a melting charge of \$1.00 and a nominal treatment charge based upon the amount of base material contained in the deposit. If your material contains much very low grade gold and filled ware, you should include Sterling silver in the proportion of one-fourth of the weight of such material. All consignments must be accompanied by letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

CH-B

January 20, 1933.

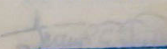
Mr. Wayne E. Dailey,
c/o National Bank of America,
Salina, Kansas.

Sir:

I am returning herewith the \$2.00 enclosed with your letter of the 18th inst. and regret to advise that I cannot send you the new one cent bronze pieces which you desire as new coins are distributed only upon approval of Treasurer of the United States at Washington, D. C., to whom you should address your application in accordance with the instructions contained in the enclosed circular.

The Mint has no bulletin of any description for distribution.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

CH-3

January 20, 1933.

Mr. R. L. Ramsey,
Gainesville, Texas.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of recent date, I do not know to what private assay office you have reference, but the following firms are located in Denver and are suggested for your accommodation. J. W. Richards & Sons, 1118 - 19th St., Burlingame & Parker, 1901 Lawrence St..

Trusting this is the information desired by you, I am

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

CH-B

January 20, 1933.

Dr. R. C. Bentzen,
Room 6, Sheridan Nat'l Bank,
Sheridan, Wyo.

Sir:

Envelope to Box 795

Replying to your letter of the 18th inst., you are advised that the Mint does not sell silver in any quantities. The present market price is 25 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ per Troy ounce this price being quoted on the financial page of most daily newspapers.

Respectfully,

[Signature]
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

CH-B

January 20, 1933.

Dr. J. Reese Beyrent,
Steelton, Pa.

Sir:

Answering your note of the 16th inst., you are advised that no one cent bronze pieces bearing the Mint mark "D" were manufactured during the calendar years 1910, 1921 and 1923.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

CE-B

January 20, 1933.

Mr. Morris Rosenberg,
2803 Wellbarn St.,
Dallas, Texas.

Sir:

Answering your letter of 16th inst., you are advised that deposits must have a minimum value of \$100 in order to be acceptable for purchase.

Respectfully,

CH-B

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

January 20, 1933.

Mr. David Kanter,
2609 Clara Ave.,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 17th inst., the Mint will purchase old gold when sent in lots having a minimum value of \$100. and a pure gold content equal to at least one-fifth of the weight of the deposit. If your shipment contains much filled ware, Sterling silver in the proportion of one-fourth of the filled ware should be included. Silver alone is not purchased but may be included in any gold shipment. I do not know just what you mean by asking if gold plated articles should be cleaned before shipment to the Mint, and will advise you further if you will make your question clear.

The Mint pays \$20.67 per ounce for each Troy ounce of pure gold contained in your deposits, less a treatment charge based upon the amount of base metal contained in the deposits, after they have been melted and assayed. All consignments must be accompanied by letter of advise and have transportation charges prepaid. Silver is paid for at the New York market price less the fraction prevailing the day prior to the receipt of deposits.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

January 21, 1932.

Mr. Tolbert R. Ingram,
Deputy Commissioner and Statistician,
Board of Emigration, State Office Bldg.,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 19th inst., I have to advise that \$109,200 (436,800 pieces) in quarter dollars of the new design, \$105,000 (10,500,000 pieces) in one cent bronze were coined at this Mint during the calendar year 1932.

Referring to your request for a copy of the report of the Director of the Mint for the fiscal year 1932, I regret to say that only a very few copies were received at this institution and I would appreciate your writing to the Director of the Mint, Washington, D. C., for a copy of this report, which I have no doubt he will be glad to forward you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

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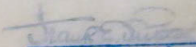
January 21, 1933.

Mr. F. E. Jorgensen,
Cashier, Commonwealth Bank,
Green River, Utah.

Sir:

As requested in your letter of the 19th inst. I have this day returned to you your small deposit of gold at this institution, using 13¢ of the 31¢ forwarded by you to cover postage on this shipment, and am returning herewith 18¢ in stamps to balance.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

CH-B

January 21, 1933,

Mr. J. H. Osborn,
Magdalena, W. M.

Sir:

I have this day returned you by insured parcel post your small amount of gold using 21¢ to cover the postage thereon of the 30¢ forwarded by you and am returning herewith 9¢ in stamps to balance.

Respectfully,


Frank A. Shepard, Superintendent.

CH-B

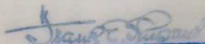
January 21, 1933.

Mr. Curtis P. Simpson,
c/o Albert Shank,
Kendall, Kansas.

Sir:

As requested in your letter of the 18th inst. I have this day returned to you the small bundle of crushed rock forwarded by you to this Mint using 14¢ of the 15¢ enclosed by you to cover postage thereon and am enclosing herewith a one cent stamp to balance.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

CH-B

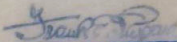
January 21, 1933.

Mr. Harry S. Nevileir,
3615 Jackson St.,
Sioux City, Iowa.

Sir:

Answering your letter of the 18th inst., you are advised that the Mint will purchase old gold when sent in lots having a value not under \$100. nor a precious metal content less than one-fifth of the weight of the deposit - a charge of \$1.00 is made for melting each deposit up to one thousand ounces and a treatment charge is imposed according to the amount of base metal contained in the material. All consignments must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

OH-B

January 23, 1933.

The Rominger Jewelry Company, Inc.
Sterling
Colorado.

Sirs:

Answering your letter of the 20th instant, I have to advise that the Mint will purchase old gold and filings when deposits have a value of not less than \$100. and one-fifth of the weight of deposit consists of pure gold, or pure gold and silver. The Mint does not purchase sweeps nor give an estimate on the different items included in deposits, which are melted into one bar and then assayed to determine the amount of pure gold and silver therein contained. A melting charge of \$1.00 is imposed upon each deposit up to one thousand ounces, or fraction thereof, and 10¢ for each additional hundred ounces, or fraction, also a treatment charge which is based upon the amount of base metal contained in the shipment. Consignments must be forwarded with all transportation charges paid and accompanied by a letter of advice.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard,
Superintendent.

OH:Mc

January 23, 1933.

Mrs. E. M. Long,
1010 North Phillips,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dear Madam:

Answering your letter of the 20th instant, you are advised that while the Mint will purchase old dental gold, deposits of such must have a value of not less than \$100., which, of course, your crowns would not contain, and they could, therefore, not be accepted for purchase unless you could add enough other gold to give your consignment the above value.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard,
Superintendent.

OH

January 23, 1933

Meyers Loan Office
319 - Travis Street
Houston, Texas.

Sirs:

Referring to your letter of the 19th instant, in which you request the return of any platinum which may be found in the deposit which you state you are forwarding to the Mint, I have to advise that the Mint does not pay for platinum nor undertake to separate it from the other metals with which it may be forwarded for return to the depositor.

Please advise me promptly if you are willing to waive any platinum values which may be contained in your consignment and if not, it will be returned you at your expense.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard,
Superintendent.

OH

January 23, 1933.

Mr. Leon Levine,
306 Main St.,
Hannibal, Mo.

Sir:

I have your letter and consignment under date of the 21st inst., and have to advise that the latter upon receipt here weighs 4.16 Troy ounces which I am unable to purchase as deposits must have a value of \$100. to be entered for treatment. It will require about eight ounces more of similar material to be added to this lot to give your deposit the required value, and I have to request that you advise me at your earliest convenience if you will forward this additional material and should it prove inconvenient for you to do so, please forward the necessary postage and insurance for the return of this shipment to you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

CH-B

January 23, 1933.

Mr. Charles F. Morris,
565 Grant St.,
Gary, Ind.

Sir:

I am returning herewith the 10¢ enclosed with your recent letter and have to advise that in order to obtain new coins from the Mint it will be necessary for you to make application therefor to the Treasurer of the United States at Washington, D. C., in accordance with the enclosed circular.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

OH-B

January 23, 1933.

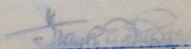
Mr. Charles H. Meff,
315 South 8th St.,
St. Joseph, Mo.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 20th inst., I have to advise that your material upon receipt here weighs 115.95 Troy ounces instead of 127½ ounces as stated by you, and before proceeding to treat same I have to request that you will advise me if the former weight meets with your approval.

Payment for deposits is usually made by check drawn on the Treasurer of the United States, altho currency or coin is sent in payment of deposits when so desired, at the risk of the depositor.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

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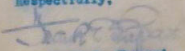
January 23, 1933.

Mr. I. J. C. Holland
San Angelo
Texas.

Sir:

Answering your letter of the 19th instant, you are advised that if the gold to which you refer has a value not under \$100. and a pure gold and silver content equal to at least one-fifth of its weight, it may be forwarded here for purchase. The Mint imposes a melting charge of \$1.00 up to one thousand ounces, or fraction thereof, and 10¢ for each additional hundred ounces, or fraction; also a treatment charge which is based upon the amount of base metal the deposit contains, and it will therefore be to your interest to include as much high grade gold and silver in your shipment as it may be convenient for you to do so. Consignments must be accompanied by letter of advice and have all transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard,
Superintendent.

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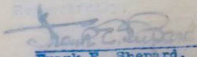
January 23, 1933.

Miss Vela Hopkins,
Kiowa, Colorado.

Dear Miss:

Answering your letter of the 19th inst. I have to advise that the only Mints now in operation are located in Philadelphia, Denver and San Francisco - the Mints at New Orleans and Carson City both having been discontinued several years ago.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

OH-B

January 23, 1933.

Mr. J. J. Kuntz,
Sioux City, Ia.

Sir:

Referring to the last paragraph of your letter dated 18th inst. relative to the mesh bag enclosed with your deposit, I have to advise that to include this bag would only lower the fineness of your deposit without increasing its value, the bag containing no values in the precious metals. Upon receipt of necessary postage and insurance, it will be promptly returned to you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

OH-B

January 23, 1933.

Mr. W. Maxwell,
McDade, Texas. Route 2, Box 95.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 17th inst. you are advised that the Mint does not make assays of mineral bearing specimens. Reliable work can be done for you by the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, at a charge of \$1.00 for gold and \$1.00 for silver, each sample, money order for the proper amount payable to that office to accompany your samples.

Respectfully,

CHI-B


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

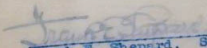
January 23, 1933.

Mr. Lewis Ferrusi,
Malta, Mont. General Delivery.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 16th inst., I have to advise that I received your package the contents of which weigh 5.02 Troy ounces, instead of 14 ounces, as stated by you and regret to say that your material is not acceptable for purchase as no values in the precious metals appears to be contained therein. Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance, this material will be returned to you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

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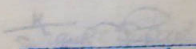
January 23, 1933.

Uncle Sam's Loan Office,
16 East Second St., South,
Salt Lake City, Utah.

Sirs:

Referring to the two bars forwarded by you under date of 19th inst., bar No. 1 weighing 4.97 Troy ounces, and bar No. 2 - 4.48 Troy ounces, you are advised that the Mint cannot treat these bars separately and advise you of their individual value as each deposit entered for treatment must have a value of not less than \$100. Apparently the two bars when combined will fulfill that requirement.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

OH-B

January 23, 1933.

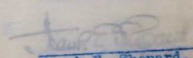
Gorman's,
910 Prairie Ave.,
Houston, Texas.

Sir:

Answering your letter of 21st inst., please be advised that the Mint regulations require that each deposit in order to be acceptable for purchase must have a minimum value of \$100 and a pure gold or pure gold and silver content equal to at least one-fifth of its weight.

Consignments must be accompanied by letter of advice and have all transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

OH-B

January 24, 1933.

Mr. J. V. Collins,
C/O Roosevelt Hotel,
Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 23d inst., you are advised that the Mint will purchase old gold of the kind mentioned by you when sent in shipments having a minimum value of \$100, when the pure gold or pure gold and silver content is equal to not less than one-fifth of the weight of the deposit. The Mint imposes a charge of \$1.00 for melting up to one thousand ounces, or fraction thereof, and a treatment charge which varies according to the amount of base metal the deposit contains. Payment is made by check on the Treasurer of the United States, or by currency or coin, if preferred, at the risk of the depositor. Kindly accompany any deposit you may forward with a letter of advice.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

January 24, 1933.

The State National Bank,
El Paso, Texas.

Sirs:

Referring to your consignment consisting of one king and some dental scrap having a total weight of 4.00 Troy ounces, I have to advise that deposits of this character are not accepted when their value is below \$100. and it will be necessary for you to send at least as much more material of the same kind to give your deposit the required value. Deposits of placer gold or mined gold only are accepted in lots having a value under \$100.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

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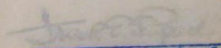
January 24, 1933.

Mr. John S. Casey,
273 New Orpheum Bldg.,
Sioux City, Iowa.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of 21st inst. and accompanying gold for addition to your material being held at this institution, I have to advise that your first lot consisting of 195 pennyweights, ranging from 8 to 22 karats, as stated by you, which would be equal to 9.75 Troy ounces, weighs upon receipt here 8.72 Troy ounces, or 1.03 Troy ounces short of your weight. Otherwise, your material is satisfactory and I can proceed to enter all your lots for treatment if the weight of the first lot as above mentioned meets with your approval. Please advise me promptly.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

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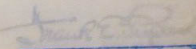
January 24, 1933.

Mr. J. C. Gearhart,
1516 Santa Fe,
Atchison, Kansas.

Sir:

Answering your letter of the 20th inst. you are advised that a bullion assay for a gold determination of the piece of metal mentioned by you could be made at a charge of \$3.00 - money order for that amount to accompany your metal to this institution with the addition of whatever may be required to cover the postage necessary to return your bar to you. If you desire a copper determination as well, that could not be done at the Mint and I would suggest that you send your bar to the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, after first ascertaining what the charges will be to cover such assays as you may desire thereon.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

OH-B

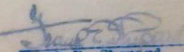
January 24, 1933,

The First National Bank,
Central City,
Colorado.

Sirs:

Referring to your lot No. 5 of your recent shipment which your letter of advice states should have a weight of 4 ounces and 15 pennyweights, and which on the wrapper states its weight to be $4\frac{1}{2}$ ounces, I have to advise that its actual weight upon receipt here is 4.26 Troy ounces. I have proceeded to treat your other lots comprising this shipment, but am withholding treatment of No. 5 until advised by you if the weight of same as received here meets with your approval.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

OH-B

January 24, 1933.

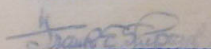
Assistant Superintendent of Supplies,
General Supply Committee,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 21st inst. relative to the non-receipt by you of delivery receipt covering a shipment to this institution of 300 pounds of scouring compound on Government bill of lading No. T-200502 from Armour & Company, to apply on your order 2-2956 Treasury order No. 107, please find said receipt herewith, which I regret to say was not executed through inadvertence at the time the compound was received.

Regretting this inadvertence, I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

OH-B

January 24, 1933.

Mr. P. R. Nye,
General Delivery,
Chicago, Ill.

Sir:

As requested in your letter of the 21st inst. I have this day returned you by insured parcel post your small consignment at this institution using 19½¢ of the postage enclosed by you and am returning 13½¢ herewith to balance the 33¢ received from you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

OH-B

January 24, 1933.

Assistant Superintendent of Supplies,
General Supply Committee,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

I have your letter of the 21st inst. and am enclosing Government bills of lading Nos. T-43019 and T-43020 on which to ship grit soap and white floating soap, as per my order No. 136.

In future bills of lading will be enclosed with all orders from this institution, as requested by you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

CH-B

January 24, 1933.

The People's Market, Inc.,
Salmon, Idaho.

Sirs:

Replying to your letter of the 21st inst., I have to advise that the first lot mentioned on the Mint memorandum of returns enclosed by you consisted of 1 bar - an oblong molded piece of gold - and 2 small round pieces or buttons - total 3 pieces altogether. The description, therefor, of lot No. 1 on this memorandum of returns is in error, our records disclosing that only three pieces comprised this lot.

Trusting this is the information desired by you, I am

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent,

By Dean Marshall
Acting Superintendent.

CH-B

January 24, 1933.

Richard Hospes & Co.,
2345 So. Broadway,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sirs:

Referring to your letter of the 20th inst. I regret to say that our stock of deposit slips has become exhausted and when a new supply has been received your request for some of these slips will be complied with. In the meantime, kindly accompany each one of your deposits with a letter of advice stating approximate weight of your deposit and method of payment desired by you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

By D. C. Hamilton
Acting Superintendent.

CR-B

January 25, 1933.

F. W. Pollman,
Lacygne, Kansas.

Check in payment your deposit nineteenth instant mailed twenty-fourth instant. Deposit received twenty-first instant now in process of treatment.

James
Superintendent.

Collect at Lacygne.

January 25, 1933.

George Kadin Co.,
Milwaukee, Wis.

January 25, 1933.
January 25, 1933.

Checks in payment your deposits sixteenth and nine-
teenth instant mailed eighteenth and twenty-fourth instant, respectively.
Deposits received twenty-first and twenty-third instant not yet ready
for payment.

Superintendent.
Superintendent.
Superintendent.

Collect at St. Louis.
Collect at Milwaukee.

January 25, 1933.

Cherokee National Bank,
St. Louis, Mo.

Check in payment your deposit mailed yesterday.

Superintendent.

Collect at St. Louis.

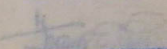
January 25, 1933.

Mr. L. A. Strauss,
2504 Bryan St.,
Dallas, Texas,

Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 23d inst. you are advised that deposits of old gold are accepted for purchase having a minimum value of \$100. provided the pure gold, or pure gold and silver content, is equal to at least one-fifth of the weight of the deposit. The Mint pays \$20.67 for each pure ounce of gold contained in consignments, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for each thousand ounces or fraction and a treatment charge based upon the amount of base metal contained in the deposit. Consignments may be forwarded by express, prepaid, or by registered mail or by insured parcel post. Each shipment must be accompanied by a letter of advice.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

CE-B

January 25, 1933,

Mr. B. C. Clark,
Purcell, Okla.

Sir:

Answering your letter of the 23d inst. you are advised that check No. 20,591 in amount \$148.13 was mailed to you yesterday at Purcell, Okla., and I have no doubt will be in your hands upon receipt of this letter.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

OH-B

January 25, 1933.

Mr. O. E. Stapleton,
Buhl, Idaho.

Sir:

Referring to your consignment received here on the 23d inst. having a weight of 65.22 Troy ounces, I regret to advise that after melting and assaying this material its base metal content has been found to exceed the maximum which the regulations permit in deposits acceptable for purchase, and it has therefore been necessary for me to reject your bar and impose our melting charge of \$1.00 thereon which you are requested to forward me by money order at your earliest convenience.

Evidently the metal which you included as silver contained some pewter as your bar has all the indications of containing some of that metal. In order to render your deposit acceptable for purchase it will be necessary for you to forward not less than five ounces of Sterling silver to increase the precious metal content of your deposit, but before your material may be re-entered for treatment the above charges will have to be paid.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

CE-B

January 25, 1933.

Mr. Louis Holstein,
1215 San Jacinto,
Houston, Texas.

Sir:

Answering your letter of the 23d inst. you are advised that the minimum amount of old gold accepted for purchase must have a value of \$100. and a pure gold content, or pure gold and silver content, equal to at least one-fifth of the weight of the deposit. Silver is not purchased alone, but may be included with your scrap gold. The Mint does not purchase platinum or undertake to separate it from the other metals with which it may be forwarded for return to the depositor. A melting charge of \$1.00 is imposed on each deposit up to one thousand ounces, or fraction thereof, and a treatment charge is also imposed according to the amount of base metal which the deposit contains. Consignments must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have all transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,

CH-2

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

January 25, 1933.

Jostan Mfg. Co.,
Owatonna, Minn.

Sirs;

I am in receipt of 5 kings of industrial gold having weight upon receipt here of 332.25 Troy ounces but to date have not received from you a letter of advice covering this shipment. As deposits are not treated until the letter of advice has been received you are requested to advise me concerning this shipment at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully,

CH-B

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

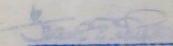
January 25, 1933.

Dr. J. W. Williams,
Moab, Utah.

Sir:

I have your letter and consignment under date of 25th(?)
inst. and regret to say that I cannot purchase the contents
of your small bottle weighing 82 hundredths of a Troy ounce,
as two full Troy ounces of gold is the minimum accepted for
purchase. Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance,
your gold will be returned to you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

CH-B

January 25, 1933.

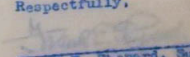
Mr. Edwin Hart,
Leola, So. Dak.

Sir:

I am returning herewith the two pieces of metal enclosed with your letter of the 23d inst. and have to advise that the Mint does not buy silver unless accompanied by an appreciable amount of gold in shipments having a minimum value of \$100. and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content, equal to at least one-fifth of the weight of each deposit. The Mint pays \$20.67 for each pure ounce of gold contained in such deposits and the New York market price, less the fraction, for the silver content, less a melting charge of \$1.00 and a treatment charge which is based upon the amount of base metal contained in the deposits.

The Mint has no literature or formulas for distribution covering the treatment of any metals.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

OH-B

January 25th, 1933.

Mr. George W. Reiners,
1008 Foindexter St.,
Fort Worth, Texas.

Sir:

I have your letter of the 23d inst. and accompanying consignment, the latter weighing upon receipt here 9.50 Troy ounces. It appears that it will require the addition of at least 3 Troy ounces of high quality gold to give your deposit a value of \$100., which is the minimum amount acceptable for purchase. It is also necessary that deposits contain at least one-fifth of their weight in pure gold, or pure gold and silver.

I am holding your deposit without treatment awaiting the receipt of this additional gold and have to request that you will forward it at your earliest convenience.

The Mint pays \$20.37 for each Troy ounce of pure gold contained in deposits and for silver the New York market price (less the fraction) prevailing the day prior to receipt of deposits, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for each thousand ounces or fraction and a nominal treatment charge based upon the amount of base metal the deposit contains. The Mint does not purchase silver alone, altho as above stated it may be included in consignments of gold. Platinum is not purchased nor is it separated from other metals with which it may be forwarded for return to

the depositor. All consignments must be accompanied by letter of advice in order to be entered for treatment.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

OH-B

January 25, 1933.

W. L. Delphin
Sioux City, Iowa.

Check in payment your deposit mailed yesterday.

Frank C. [unclear]
Superintendent.

Collect at Sioux City.

January 25, 1933.

The New York Dental Co.,
1017 Walnut St.,
Kansas City, Mo.

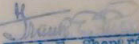
Sirs:

Answering your letter of the 24th inst., you are advised that the charge imposed by the Mint for refining depends entirely upon the amount of base metal contained in the deposit - these charges varying from one-half cent to eight cents per ounce. The Mint also imposes a melting charge of \$1.00 up to one thousand ounces or fraction thereof and 10¢ for each additional hundred ounces or fraction. Deposits must have a value of not less than \$100. and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content, equal to at least one-fifth of the weight of the deposit. and, as indicated above, the higher the pure gold and silver content the lower the treatment charges.

Kindly accompany any consignment with a letter of advice.

Respectfully,

OE-B


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

January 25, 1933.

A. N. Shyer,
Market at Ninth,
Chatanooga, Tenn.

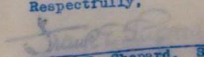
Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 23d you are advised that deposits of old gold must have a value of \$100. and a pure gold, or gold and silver content, equal to at least one-fifth of the weight of the deposit.

If deposits consist of gold filled jewelry, Sterling silver in the proportion of at least one-fourth of the weight should be included therewith.

The Mint does not purchase platinum nor will it be returned to the depositor when included with gold consignments - it is not necessary to separate the various classes of gold into separate packages, as all articles in deposits are melted together and after melting into one bar the latter is assayed to determine the pure gold and silver content contained in the deposit. All consignments must be accompanied by a letter of advice.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

GH-B

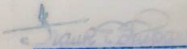
January 25, 1933.

Mr. J. E. Vogel, Asst. Cashier,
The Montana National Bank,
Billings, Mont.

Sir:

Complying with the request contained in your letter of the 23d inst. I have this day forwarded you by insured parcel post your recent consignment to this institution, using 18¢ of the postage forwarded by you on said package and am returning 13¢ herewith, the balance due you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

H-B

January 25, 1933.

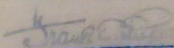
Messrs. Klar & Winterman,
Dallas, Texas.

2310 Elmer St

Sirs:

Referring to your consignment under date of 19th inst. weighing upon receipt here 128.28 Troy ounces, I have to advise that after melting and assaying this material its base metal content has been found to exceed considerably the maximum which may be contained in deposits acceptable for purchase and I have been compelled to reject your deposit and impose thereon our melting charge of \$1.00 which you are requested to forward me by money order at your earliest convenience. To render your material acceptable for purchase will require not less than five ounces of Sterling silver, or as much more as it will be convenient for you to forward, but before further action may be taken regarding this deposit the above charges will have to be paid.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

CH-B

January 25, 1933.

Mrs. C. W. Larson,
5130 St. Paul St.,
Denver, Colo.

Dear Madam:

Referring to your note I have to advise that the Mint does not deal in old coins nor does the Government ever pay a premium thereon, I also regret to say I am unable to give you any information where you may obtain any data regarding the coin mentioned by you.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

OH-B

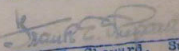
January 25, 1933.

C. B. Norton Jewelry Co.,
Gate City National Bank Bldg.,
1111 Grand Ave.,
Kansas City, Mo.

Sirs:

Referring to your consignment under date of 20th inst., weighing upon receipt here 283.00 Troy ounces, I have to advise that after melting and assaying this material its base metal content has been found to exceed considerably the maximum which may be contained in deposits acceptable for purchase and I have been compelled to reject your deposit and impose thereon our melting charge of \$1.00, which you are requested to forward me by money order at your earliest convenience. To render your material acceptable for purchase will require not less than ten ounces of Sterling silver, or as much more as it will be convenient for you to forward, but before further action may be taken regarding this deposit the above charges will have to be paid.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

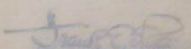
January 26, 1935.

Walker - Craig Company,
Mission, Texas.

Sirs:

Answering your letter of the 23d inst., I have to advise that deposits of old jewelry, dental scrap, etc., will be purchased by the Mint when such deposits have a minimum value of \$100. and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver, content equal to at least one-fifth of the weight of the deposit - a melting charge of \$1.00 is imposed on all deposits up to and including one thousand ounces, or fraction thereof, and also a treatment charge based upon the amount of base metal contained in the deposit. Each shipment must be accompanied by letter of advice and have all transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

OH-B

January 26, 1933.

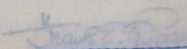
Mr. John Secolefsky,
Wellington, Colo.

Sir:

Answering your letter of the 25th inst., please be advised that the Mint does not deal in old coins in any manner, nor am I able to advise you of the name or address of any reliable dealer in such articles.

Regretting I cannot be of any assistance to you, I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

OH-B

January 26, 1933.

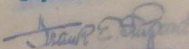
Mr. C. F. Wishler
Hagerman
Idaho.

Sir:

Referring to your request to be advised of the amount of the deposit made by A. L. Gridley at this Mint, I have to say that such information can only be furnished upon authority received from the depositor, all matters pertaining to deposits being of a confidential nature.

I am glad to see that you expect to be able to forward some gold to the Mint in the Spring, and have to advise that deposits of mined gold or placer gold are accepted in lots not under two Troy ounces of gold. Please state the source from which the gold has been obtained and when forwarding it to the Mint kindly accompany same with a letter of advice as no deposits are treated until such a letter has been received.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard,
Superintendent.

OH:Mc

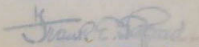
January 26, 1933.

Mr. J. H. Beall
c/o Securities Savings & Commercial Bank
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

Answering your letter of the 23rd instant, I have to advise that no one cent bronze pieces were coined at this Mint during the calendar years 1921 and 1923, and altho we issued this denomination in 1924, our stock was promptly exhausted and I am unable to advise you where you may now be able to obtain any at the present time, except from some numismatic dealer or coin collector, the Mint not having any addresses of such dealers.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard,
Superintendent.

OH:Mc

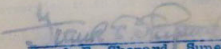
January 26, 1933.

Mr. G. M. Lewis,
1313 West Blvd.,
Rapid City, S. D.

Sir:

Replying to your note of the 24th inst., please be advised that this Mint was not organized until the latter part of the year 1904, and our records would not therefore show any deposits forwarded to the old United States Mint during the years 1881 to 1890, the records of which office are not now available and owing to the fact that no ledger accounts are kept relative to deposits it would be exceedingly difficult to obtain the information you desire.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

CH-E

January 26, 1933.

George Kadin Company,
314 Empire Bldg.,
Milwaukee, Wis.

Sirs:

Replying to your letter of the 24th inst., I have to state that while I cannot advise you authoritatively regarding the laws having application to the stamped fineness of gold and silver articles manufactured within the United States and the permissible deviations from the stamped fineness thereon, it appears from the Act of Congress, dated June 13, 1906, - Public No. 226, Chapter 3289 - that it would be a misdemeanor to stamp articles of jewelry 14 karats, when, as a matter of fact, such articles contain only 13 karats, and I would therefor suggest that you take up the matter with the United States District Attorney in your city.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

OH-B

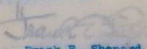
January 26, 1933.

Mr. N. W. Eaton
705 - Clay Avenue
Houston, Texas.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 24th instant, you are advised that the Mint will accept for purchase deposits of old gold when sent in lots having a value not under \$100. nor a precious metal content less than one-fifth of the weight of the deposit, such content to consist of pure gold or pure gold and silver. Where it is not possible to forward this pure content, enough high grade silver may be added to produce such proportion of the precious metals. Consignments should be accompanied by a letter of advice and have all transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard,
Superintendent.

CH:Mc

January 27, 1933.

Mr. J. M. Murphy,
215 Pershing Road,
Kansas City, Mo.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 25th inst. forwarding some industrial scrap gold which weighs upon receipt here 3.52 Troy ounces, I have to advise that deposits of manufactured gold are not accepted unless they have a value of at least \$100. and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver, content equal to at least one-fifth of the weight of the deposit. As your consignment will not contain a value that would equal approximately the value above stated, I am unable to purchase it, and upon receipt of necessary postage and insurance it will be returned to you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

OH-B

January 27, 1933.

Mr. W. H. McMichen,
Cartersville, Ga.

Sir:

As requested in your note of 23d inst. I returned you yesterday by insured parcel post the material recently forwarded by you which was unacceptable for purchase by the Mint, using 22¢ in postage forwarded by you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

OH-B

January 27, 1933.

Miss Emily Morgan,
Bangor, Wis.

Dear Miss:

Replying to your letter of the 25th inst., I have to advise that before I could state how much gold coin could be made from one ounce of gold jewelry, it would be necessary to know how much pure gold the jewelry contains as all such articles contain more or less base metal. As a \$20. gold piece ^{contains} a trifle less than one ounce of pure gold, which is worth \$20.67, it would take considerably over one ounce of high grade jewelry to coin one \$20. gold piece. However, the Mint does not accept jewelry for purchase in shipments having a value under \$100. nor a precious metal content less than one-fifth of the weight of the deposit on which a melting charge of \$1.00 is imposed and also a treatment charge based upon the amount of base metal contained in the material.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

OH-B

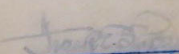
January 27, 1933.

Mr. H. L. Morgan,
Throckmorton,
Texas.

Sir:

Replying to your letter without date, I am enclosing a circular which will give you full information under which old gold may be forwarded to the Mint for purchase, which I would suggest you read carefully when preparing your shipments to the Mint. Sterling silver may be added to any deposit containing enough gold to have a value of \$100., but this metal is not purchased alone. You will note that all shipments must be accompanied by letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

CH-B

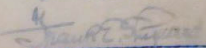
January 27, 1933.

Mr. R. L. Edwards,
Hotel Broadview,
East St. Louis, Ill.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 25th inst. I am enclosing a circular which will give you full information under which old gold may be forwarded to the Mint for purchase, which I would suggest you read carefully when preparing your shipments to the Mint. Sterling silver may be added to any deposit containing enough gold to have a value of \$100., but this metal is not purchased alone. You will note that all consignments must be accompanied by letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,



Frank M. Shepard, Superintendent.

OH-B

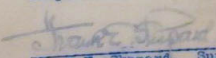
January 27, 1933.

Mr. Oscar Hanson,
1419 Nebraska St.,
Sioux City, Ia.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of 24th inst., I am enclosing a circular which will give you full information under which old gold may be forwarded to the Mint for purchase, which I would suggest you read carefully when preparing your shipments to the Mint. Sterling silver may be added to any deposit containing enough gold to have a value of \$100., but this metal is not purchased alone. You will note that all shipments must be accompanied by letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

OH-B

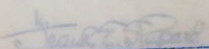
January 27, 1933.

Mr. Leon Levine,
306 Main St., North,
Hannibal, Mo.

Sir:

As requested in your note of the 25th inst., I have this day returned to you by insured parcel post your small deposit at this institution, using 21¢ of the 31¢ enclosed by you to cover postage thereon, and am enclosing 10¢ in stamps herewith to balance.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

OH-B

January 28, 1933.

Harry R. Floyd,
Elwood, Nebraska.

Check in payment your deposit twenty third mailed January
twenty sixth care General Delivery, Wallace, Nebraska.

Frank E. Shepard.
Superintendent.

Collect at Elwood.

January 26, 1933.

Mr. L. H. Bentley,
Valdez, N. H.

Sir:

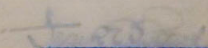
Answering your letter of the 25th inst., please be advised that our stock of forms for making gold shipments has been entirely exhausted, and your consignments should be accompanied by a letter of advice in lieu of such forms.

If you contemplate shipping placer or mined gold the Mint accepts such deposits having a minimum of two ounces of gold when free from rock or other foreign substances.

If your shipments consist of articles of manufactured gold they must have a minimum value of \$100. and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver, content equal to at least one-fifth of the weight of the deposit.

Respectfully,

OH-B


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

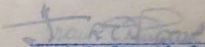
January 28, 1933.

Mr. Wm. D. Kern,
Hays, Mont.

Dear Madam:

Complying with request contained in your letter of the 23d inst. I have this day returned you by insured parcel post the small deposit forwarded by you to this institution on date of February 23d, 1932, from St. Pauls, Mont., having used 14½¢ for postage thereon and am enclosing 10½¢ in stamps being the balance of the 25¢ enclosed with your letter.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

CH-B

January 30, 1933

Baruch Jewelry Company,
213 West State Street,
Rockford, Illinois.

Gentlemen:

I have your letter of the 27th instant and regret to say that your deposit of the 20th instant was received here and treated on the 24th instant and all articles contained therein were melted - check in payment for this deposit having been sent you on the 27th instant.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Sup^{nt} ^{President}

OH:T

January 30, 1933

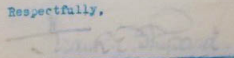
Mr. George Bookhamer,
Breckenridge, Colorado. Box 313.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your small consignment under date of the 28th instant consisting of a small bottle of amalgam and a small quantity of jewelry, I have to advise that the Mint does not accept amalgam for purchase nor deposits of old jewelry when the value thereof is less than \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of less than one-fifth of the weight of the deposit.

I will hold your material until you call which I note you expect to do on the 3rd proximo.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

January 30, 1933

The A. Duffner Store,
Watertown, South Dakota. 9 East Kamp Avenue.

Gentlemen:

Replying to your letter of the 25th instant, you are advised that the Mint will accept deposits of placer or mined gold when such deposits contain at least two full troy ounces of gold which means, of course, that the fineness of small deposits of this kind should be greatly in excess of 200 assay parts of gold. Deposits of old gold are accepted when shipments contain a value of not less than \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content equal to at least one-fifth of the weight of the deposit.

Our stock of the blank forms which are usually supplied for forwarding deposits to the Mint has become exhausted and it will therefore be necessary for you to accompany your consignments with a letter of advice containing the usual information.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

January 30, 1933

Mrs. M. E. Stone,
610 West Maple Street,
Winslow, Arizona.

Dear Madam:

Answering your letter of the 28th instant, please be advised that old gold is not purchased by the Mint except in shipments having a value of \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content equal to at least one-fifth of the weight of the deposit.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

JANUARY 30, 1933

Mr. John S. Casey,
273 New Orpheum Building,
Sioux City, Iowa.

Dear Sir:

Answering the postscript on your letter of the 27th instant, I have to advise that it would not be possible to separate any platinum that might be contained in your deposits for return to you as at the time deposits are melted and assayed, gold and silver determinations only are made and any platinum content would not be discovered until your bar with a sufficient number of other deposits are sent to the refinery and out of the mass a platinum content is recovered. Bars are not usually sent to the refinery until several months or perhaps a year after they have been paid for.

Respectfully,

Frank M. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

January 30, 1933

Master Emery Strong,
Rushville, Nebraska.

Dear Master Strong:

I have your letter of the 25th instant and would be glad to send you literature pertaining to the making of money but the Mint does not have any pamphlets containing such information for distribution.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

OH:T

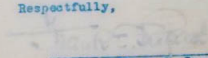
January 30, 1933

Mr. A. A. Vendeweel,
St. Joseph, Missouri. Route 5

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 25th instant and regret to say in reply that I cannot be of any assistance to you in suggesting in what part of Colorado you could prospect for gold, nor as to any parties with whom you could establish any relations in that respect.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T
Stamped envelope returned

January 30, 1933

Mr. Hubert Caldwell,
Delcarbon, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with your request to Charles
C. Parker & Company, 1901 Lawrence Street, this city,
I have this day delivered to that firm your small amount
of industrial scrap, weighing 1.78 troy ounces, which the
Mint could not purchase from you.

Enclosed please find 10¢ in postage which you
had previously forwarded to the Mint for the return of
this scrap to you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T
Enclosure

January 30, 1933

Meyer Jewelry Company,
Twelfth & Walnut Streets,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Gentlemen:

Replying to your note of the 27th instant requesting a supply of Form 104b for use in shipping your deposits to the Mint, I have to advise that our stock of these forms has become exhausted and it will therefore be necessary for you to accompany your deposits with a letter of advice containing the usual information.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

January 30, 1933

Mr. J. F. Howard,
Superintendent, Vega Del Oro Mines, Inc.,
Hillsboro, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 24th instant,
I have to advise that the Mint does not accept deposits
of black sand or magnetic iron; nor does the Mint ever
purchase platinum or iridium - gold and silver deposits
only being accepted for purchase.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

January 30, 1935

Missouri Loan Office,
404 Edmond Street,
St. Joseph, Missouri.

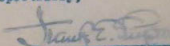
Gentlemen:

I have your letter of the 27th instant and have to advise that the Mint has no blanks to furnish depositors contemplating making shipments to the Mint.

Your shipment should be accompanied by a letter stating the approximate weight of your material and the method of payment desired.

I assume you understand that old gold is purchased in amounts having a value of at least \$100.00 when the pure gold, or pure gold and silver content does not fall below one-fifth of the weight of the deposit.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T
By stamp returned

January 30, 1933

Mr. E. C. Clark,
Purcell, Oklahoma.

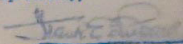
Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 28th instant and regret to say that as much as I should like to be able to accept your deposit having a value under \$100.00, the Treasury Department at Washington regulates the minimum value of deposits that may be received, and under these conditions, the fact that one has been a regular shipper would make no difference in the matter.

If you can not succeed in accumulating the required amount and have only \$50.00 or \$75.00 worth of old gold, I would suggest that you sell it some bullion dealer rather than to the Mint.

Regretting that I can not be of assistance to you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T

January 30, 1933

Mr. A. La Fata,
404 Holland Building,
St. Louis, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your request under date of the 27th instant for blank forms 104b to be used in making deposits at the Mint, please be advised that our supply of these forms has become exhausted and it will be necessary therefore for you to accompany each consignment with a letter containing the usual information.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

January 30, 1933

Mr. G. L. Berry,
Clark, Montana.

Dear Sir:

I have your small consignment under date of the 24th instant, weighing upon receipt here 1.49 troy ounces, and regret to say that this small amount may not be accepted by the Mint as the minimum accepted is two full troy ounces.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance your gold will be returned to you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

January 30, 1933

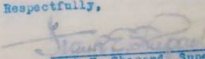
Mr. H. H. Van Brunt,
Glendora, California.

Dear Sir:

I have your small consignment under date of the 25th instant, weighing upon receipt here 1.10 troy ounces, and regret to say that this small amount may not be accepted by the Mint as the minimum accepted is two full troy ounces.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance your gold will be returned you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

January 30, 1933

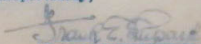
Mr. J. L. Perkins,
Congress Junction, Arizona.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 27th instant forwarding another button for addition to your previous small consignment, I have to advise that upon receipt here this button weighs 1.32 troy ounces, giving your deposit a total weight of 2.85 troy ounces.

I regret to say that it is not possible to furnish you separate returns on these two shipments, as each lot upon which returns are made must have the required weight of a deposit. I have therefore proceeded to combine these two lots and check in payment will be forwarded you promptly.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

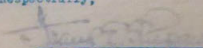
January 30, 1933

Santa Fe Watch Company,
Topeka, Kansas.

Gentlemen:

Answering your inquiry of the 28th instant, I have to advise that it is probable from what you say that your gold filings could be added to your gold scrap and other material which you state you are forwarding here - which would also be the case with your gold-filled watch cases, provided, your deposit will have a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content equal to at least one-fifth of its weight. When there is any doubt as to this pure metal content, I would suggest that you add at least one-fourth of the weight of such inferior material in high-grade silver, in order that your deposit will have the required fineness.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

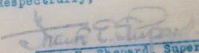
January 30, 1933

Messrs. Klar & Winterman,
2310 Elm Street,
Dallas, Texas.

Gentlemen:

I have your letter of the 27th instant stating you are forwarding $9\frac{1}{2}$ ounces of sterling silver to be added to your rejected deposit and have to advise that this metal upon receipt here weighs 9.42 troy ounces. As stated in my letter, however, I can not proceed to reenter your rejected deposit with the addition of this silver until our melting charges of \$1.00, as mentioned in my letter to you of the 25th instant, have been paid. You are therefore requested to forward money order for \$1.00 at your earliest convenience in order that I may proceed to dispose of this matter.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

January 31, 1933.

Superintendent United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Enclosed please find your non-reimbursable voucher in the sum of \$156.30 covering the asbestos mitts and sleeves recently furnished by you to this institution.

Thanking you for your courtesy in this matter, I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

OH-B

January 31, 1933.

Mr. Claude E. Leser,
c/o Green and White Service Station,
Center, Colorado.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 30th inst. you are advised that old gold is purchased in lots having a value not under \$100., paying, therefor, \$20.67 for each Troy ounce of pure gold less \$1.00 for melting and a nominal treatment charge based upon the amount of base metal contained in the deposit, which under no circumstances shall exceed four-fifths of the weight of the deposit.

While the Mint does not recommend any outside dealers or assume any responsibility when names are suggested, as a matter of accommodation you are advised that Carl Blaurock, Mack Bldg., this city, and Burlingame & Parker, 1901 Lawrence St., also of this city, both purchase old gold.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

OK-B

January 31, 1933.

Mr. R. L. Wells,
Red River, N. M.

Sir:

As requested in your letter of the 23d inst. regarding your small deposit at this institution I have this day delivered to Carl Blaurock, Mack Building, Denver, Colo., your gold for purchase and returns direct to you, together with the 20¢ in stamps for registering the check in payment.

Trusting this action will meet with your approval and regretting that the Mint could not be of assistance to you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

OH-B

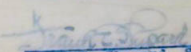
January 31, 1933.

Miss Mary Calvert,
R. R. No. 6,
Carrollton, Mo.

Dear Miss:

Answering the enquiry in your recent letter forwarding 15.70 Troy ounces of industrial scrap gold to this institution, please be advised that the minimum value of such deposits still remains at \$100., no change having been made in regard thereto.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

CH-B

January 31, 1933.

The State National Bank,
El Paso, Texas.

Sirs:

As requested in your note of the 26th inst. I am returning you this day your small shipment of gold valued at approximately \$75.00, your collection No. 68,208.

There are no Mint charges on this transaction.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

CH-B

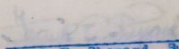
January 31, 1933.

Mr. James Cummings,
338 Trumbull St.,
Hartford, Conn.

Sir:

Referring to your request of the 28th inst. for ten new one cent bronze pieces, please be advised that new coins are now distributed only after application has been made therefor to the Treasurer of the United States at Washington, D. C., in accordance with instructions contained in the enclosed circular. Regretting I cannot be of assistance to you in this matter, I am enclosing herewith your 10¢.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

OH-B

January 31, 1933.

Mr. W. F. Lewis,
4200 Walnut St.,
Kansas City, Mo.

Sir:

Answering your letter of the 28th inst. you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old jewelry when the value thereof is not under \$100. and the pure gold, or pure gold and silver, content not under one-fifth of the weight of the deposit. Gold filled and plated pieces may be included in such shipments provided the pure gold content as above specified is contained in the deposit. In cases where there is any doubt in regard to this I would suggest that Sterling silver in the proportion of one-fourth of the weight of such material be included as the higher the pure metal content the lower our treatment charges. The Mint charges \$1.00 for melting all deposits up to and including one thousand ounces and a treatment charge based upon the amount of the base metals contained. Gold is paid for at the rate of \$20.67 for each Troy ounce after the above charges have been deducted. Payment is usually forwarded within three to five days after receipt of deposits. All consignments must be accompanied by a letter of advice.

respectfully,

Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent.

January 31, 1933.

Mr. Donald S. Tedford,
462 So. Valley St.,
Neosho, Mo.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 28th inst. in which you state you were forwarding over twenty ounces of gold bullion in one piece, I have to advise that your piece of bullion, or king, weighs upon receipt here 19.17 Troy ounces.

You are correct in your understanding that the Mint does not purchase any of the platinum group metals. I have also to advise that the Mint could not refine your bullion for you by removing the Ni, Cu, Zn, Fe, Pt or Ag, altho fine gold bars may be issued in payment of deposits when the value thereof, after deducting all Mint charges, is at least \$100.

I am enclosing a copy of our Table of Charges for your information. Please advise promptly if the weight of your deposit as received here meets with your approval.
Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

OH-B

February 1, 1933.

Dr. ~~W~~^R. Wilson,
Rm. 508, Paxton Bld.,
Omaha, Ne~~b~~^{braska}.

Dear Sir:

I have received a package containing bullion bearing your name on the wrapper but to date no letter of advice has been received from you concerning this deposit. No consignments are opened or entered for shipment until a letter of advice has been received and you are therefore requested to advise me promptly concerning this shipment.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard,
Superintendent.

OH:Mc

February 1, 1933

Mr. Lester W. Hanna
Del Norte
Colorado.

Dear Sir:

I have received a package containing bullion bearing your name on the wrapper but to date no letter of advice has been received from you concerning this deposit. No consignments are opened or entered for treatment until a letter of advice has been received and you are therefore requested to advise me promptly concerning this shipment.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard
Frank E. Shepard,
Superintendent.

CH:Mc

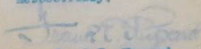
February 1, 1933

The Myers Company
Hatch,
New Mexico.

Gentlemen:

I have received a package containing bullion bearing your name on the wrapper but to date no letter of advice has been received from you concerning this deposit. No consignments are opened or entered for treatment until a letter of advice has been received and you are therefore requested to advise me promptly concerning this shipment.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard,
Superintendent.

OH:Mo

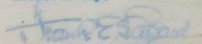
February 1, 1933

Mr. R. Fynes
530 West Mercury Street
Butte, Montana.

Dear Sir:

I have received a package containing bullion bearing your name on the wrapper but to date no letter of advice has been received from you concerning this deposit. No consignments are opened or entered for treatment until a letter of advice received and you are therefore requested to advise me promptly concerning this shipment.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard
Superintendent.

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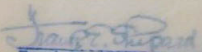
February 1, 1933.

Mr. J. J. Kuntz,
c/o Standard Jewelry Co.,
710 - 4th St.,
Sioux City, Iowa.

Sir:

Referring to my recent letter to you advising that the German silver mesh bag included in your last consignment to the Mint was omitted therefrom when treating this deposit owing to the fact that the bag consisted only of base metal, I have to request that you will advise me if you desire this bag returned you, and, if so, forward me the necessary postage for that purpose. Our vault space is very limited, and if you do not want this bag it will be thrown away, but I would like to have your authority beforehand.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

CH-B

February 1st, 1933.

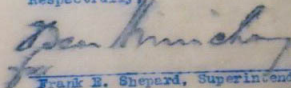
Mr. F. E. Sprague,
Belleville,
Kansas.

Sir:

Answering your letter of the 31st ult., I have to advise that no change has been made in the minimum value of deposits consisting of scrap gold, that minimum still remaining at \$100.

In order to encourage mining during the present depression, the Treasury Department two years ago lowered to two ounces as a minimum deposits of placer or freshly mined gold, consignments of which must consist entirely of gold of that character and be accompanied by a letter of advice stating the source from which the gold has been obtained.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

OH-B

February 1, 1933.

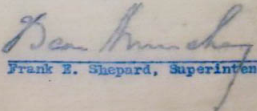
Mr. Charles E. Dennis,
521 Dooly Building,
Salt Lake City, Utah.

Sir:

With reference to your letter of the 30th ult. I have to advise that no ledger accounts are kept relative to deposits and it will therefore be necessary for you to state approximately the period during which you wish to be advised if the parties mentioned in your letter made any deposits at the Mint.

If you desire to know the value and weight of these deposits, should any have been made, it will be necessary for you to forward me the authority of the party who made the deposit to divulge such information.

Respectfully,

for 
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

CH-B

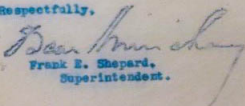
February 1, 1923

Mr. C. H. Gray
Rapid City
South Dakota.

Dear Sir:

I have received a package containing bullion bearing your name on the wrapper but to date no letter of advice has been received from you concerning this deposit. No consignments are opened or entered for treatment until a letter of advice has been received and you are therefore requested to advise me promptly concerning this shipment.

Respectfully,

for 
Frank E. Shepard,
Superintendent.

OH:Mc

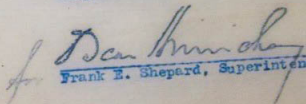
February 1, 1933.

Mrs. Catherine Schleicher,
Cave Creek Stage,
Phoenix, Ariz.

Dear Madam:

If the old gold to which you refer in your letter of January 29th will have a value of at least \$100. and contain at least one-fifth of its weight in pure gold it may be forwarded here for purchase. It usually requires from three to five days to treat deposits, after which check in payment is promptly forwarded. Letter of advice should accompany your deposit.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

CH-B

February 1, 1933.

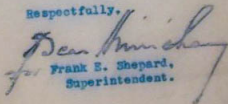
Mr. Fred Lee
Lincoln
Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

I have received a package containing bullion bearing your name on the wrapper but to date no letter of advice has been received from you concerning this deposit. No consignments are opened or entered for treatment until a letter of advice has been received and you are therefore requested to advise me promptly concerning this shipment.

When forwarding this letter kindly state the source from which this gold has been obtained.

Respectfully,

for 
Frank E. Shepard,
Superintendent.

OW:Mc

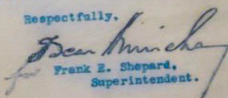
February 1, 1933.

Frederick Borchers, D. D. S.
409 - 14th Street
Sioux City, Iowa.

Dear Sir:

I have received a package containing bullion bearing your name on the wrapper but to date no letter of advice has been received from you concerning this deposit. No consignments are opened or entered for treatment until a letter of advice has been received and you are therefore requested to advise me promptly concerning this shipment.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard,
Superintendent.

CH:Mc

February 1, 1933.

Mr. Samuel Gordon
209 - Majestic Building
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

I have received a package containing bullion bearing your name on the wrapper but to date no letter of advice has been received from you concerning this deposit. No consignments are opened or entered for treatment until a letter of advice has been received and you are therefore requested to advise me promptly concerning this shipment.

Respectfully,

for 
Frank E. Shepard,
Superintendent.

OH:Mc

February 1, 1933.

Mr. A. C. Urie,
Hansen, Ida.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 30th ult in which you state you are forwarding one retort of gold, I have to advise that upon receipt here your retort weighs 3.45 Troy ounces. In this connection, please be advised that I have been holding a small retort belonging to you weighing 1.94 Troy ounces concerning which I wrote you under date of January 19th, this latter retort not having sufficient weight to be treated without some additional gold. If you desire these two consignments can be combined and one check in payment mailed you. Please advise me promptly if this will be satisfactory to you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent,

By Don H. H. H.
Acting Superintendent.

OH-B

February 1, 1933

Mr. Antonio Simon
Cerrillos
New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

I have received a package containing bullion bearing your name on the wrapper but to date no letter of advice has been received from you concerning this deposit. No consignments are opened or entered for treatment until a letter of advice has been received and you are therefore requested to advise me promptly concerning this shipment.

Respectfully,

Ben Kinchay
for Frank E. Shepard,
Superintendent.

OH:Mc

February 1, 1933.

Mr. T. F. Trimmer,
Cashier, First Nat'l Bank,
Cody, Wyo.

Sir:

I have your letter of the 28th ult stating you are forwarding a small bottle of gold dust weighing approximately three ounces, and have to advise that upon receipt here your gold dust weighs two Troy ounces, your bottle being two-thirds full and package having been received intact.

Please advise me promptly if this weight is satisfactory to you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent,

By Dean H. Hinchey
Acting Superintendent.

CH-B

February 1, 1933.

Mr. A. J. Asper,
Kingman, Kansas.

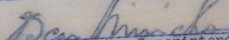
Sir:

Referring to your recent consignment weighing 25.49 Troy ounces, I have to advise that included in your shipment were two pins marked platinum. As the Mint does not purchase this metal or make any allowance therefor when included in gold deposits, I have withheld these two pins from your consignment and they will be returned to you upon receipt of necessary postage and insurance, which you are requested to forward me at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

By


Acting Superintendent.

OH-B

February 2, 1933.

Mountain States Telephone & Telegraph Co.,
Denver, Colorado.

Sirs:

Referring to Contract No. T4m-65, dated June 8th, 1932, between the United States Mint, at Denver, and the Mountain States Telephone & Telegraph Co. for telephone service at this building, which includes a special line for use in connection with the police signal box, in this building, at a quarterly rental of fifty cents, please be advised that in accordance with the request of the Superintendent of the Fire and Police Telephone service of the City of Denver this police signal box has been modified to operate on an open circuit connection, instead of a closed circuit.

As this renders unnecessary the use of the special line above mentioned, I have to request that you will disconnect same at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

CH-B

February 3, 1933

Mr. George Kadin
314 - Empire Building
Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your deposit of the 18th instant, weighing upon receipt here 17.02 Troy ounces, for which you request that payment be made in silver bars, I have to advise that only the silver content of deposit when of appreciable amount may be returned in silver bars.

Please advise me promptly if I shall proceed to treat this deposit and make payment by check as usual.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard,
Superintendent.

OH:Mc

February 3, 1933.

Mr. Earl R. Brasberger, Jr.,
1601 Classen Blvd.,
Oklahoma City, Okla.

Sir:

Answering your letter of recent date forwarding a gold medal to the Mint, which weighs upon receipt here .75's of a Troy ounce, I have to advise that the Mint does not purchase gold in this form having a value under \$100. and upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance your medal will be returned to you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

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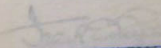
February 3, 1933.

Mr. M. J. Strongin,
136 So. Cleborne St.,
Mobile, Ala.

Sir:

I have your letter of the 30th ult. and have to advise that \$141.10 in cash was forwarded you by registered mail care of General Delivery, New Orleans, La., on January 28th, this remittance being in payment of your deposit which you state you forwarded here on the 22d ult. I have no doubt this money is waiting you in that city at the present time.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

CH-B

February 3, 1933.

Dr. Frederick Borchers,
413 $\frac{1}{2}$ - 4th St.,
Sioux City, Iowa.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 1st inst., I would suggest that any method by which you could get the steel springs out of your watch cases would be satisfactory, as it takes considerable time for our melters to do this work when rushed in treating other deposits.

I regret to say that the Mint has no printed matter for distribution which would be of assistance to you in refining your metals, and I would suggest that you obtain some of the text books on the subject at your local library.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

OH-B

February 3, 1933.

Mr. Herman G. Bates,
 3615 NE 24th Ave.,
 Portland, Ore.
 1209 Grant Ave.,
 Trinidad, Colo.

Dear Sir: Answering your note of the 28th ult. you are advised that during the calendar year this Mint manufactured quarter dollar and one cent bronze pieces. on any coins nor does it ever recall any coins.

I regret to say that I am unable to supply you with any of the ten, twenty-five and fifty cent pieces mentioned by you, all of which have long since been distributed.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

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February 3, 1933.

Mr. Joseph Gottesman,
Dept. of Education,
192nd Street and Audobon Ave.,
New York City.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 30th ult., please be advised that this Mint has not manufactured any commemorative half dollars, nor have any one dollar gold pieces been issued by any of the Mints since 1889, when coinage of this denomination was revoked by Act of Congress.

Nearly all the commemorative half dollars struck at the Mints have been made by the United States Mint at Philadelphia for the society or organization in whose behalf they were coined and it will be necessary to purchase such coins from these organizations, this Mint not having the addresses of any of these organizations.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

GH-B

February 4, 1933,

The City Jewelry Co., Inc.,
713 - 8th St.,
Wichita Falls, Texas.

Sirs:

I have your deposit under date of the 2d inst. weighing upon receipt here 6.07 Troy ounces, and have to advise that it does not appear that your material will contain the required value of \$100., which is the minimum accepted for purchase. I would, therefore, suggest that you send not less than two additional ounces of high grade gold to be added to this lot in order that your deposit will meet the requirements of the Mint.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

CH-B

February 6, 1923,

Mr. H. G. Smith,
Box 44,
Hopkins, Minn.

Sir:

Answering your note of the 1st inst., you are advised that the pure gold content of deposits of gold bullion may be paid for in gold coin, provided the value of such deposits is not under \$100. and one-fifth of the weight is pure gold.

Gold coin manufactured from the identical gold deposit cannot be furnished, payment being made in gold coin of such dates as may be on hand, less the regular Mint charges, transportation of the coin to be at the expense and risk of depositor.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

cit-B

February 4, 1933.

Mr. A. J. Asper,
Kingman,
Kansas.

Sir:

Referring to your notation on my letter to you of the 1st inst. relative to the two so-called platinum pins recently forwarded with other material as a deposit at the Mint, and which were withheld therefrom as the Mint does not purchase platinum, I have to advise that as your material has already been treated these two pins cannot be treated there-with and I will thank you to advise me what disposition you desire made of them.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

OH-B

February 4, 1933.

Mr. M. H. Harrison,
Central City,
Colorado.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 2d inst. advising you were forwarding about 7 ounces of placer gold and gold taken from specimens, please be advised that upon receipt here your deposit weighs 5.20 Troy ounces, and before proceeding to treat this material I would like to be advised if this weight meets with your approval.

Kindly advise me promptly.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

OK-B

February 4, 1933,

Mr. R. Tully,
2229 East Van Buren St.,
Phoenix, Ariz.

Sir:

Answering your letter of the 1st inst. you are advised that when deposits are accepted for purchase the various articles composing same are melted into a bar which is assayed by different assayers to determine the pure gold and silver content in the mass. After deducting the Mint's charges from the value of the gold and silver content of your bar, you were paid for the full value of these metals contained therein and under these circumstances no further payment can be made you.

I regret that you are dissatisfied with this payment, which I feel fully covers the entire value of your bar, and do not understand how anyone could pay you for more gold than your bar contains, but if the refiners to whom you refer will pay you more for such gold than you obtain from the Mint, I can only suggest that in the future you send your bullion to them.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

February 4, 1933.

Mr. Wallace W. Drayfoos,
2835 Valley Drive,
Sioux City, Iowa.

Sir:

I have your deposit under date of the 2d inst. weighing upon receipt here 2.84 Troy ounces, and have to advise that it does not appear that your material will contain the required value of \$100., which ^{is} the minimum accepted for purchase. I would, therefore, suggest that you send not less than two additional ounces of high grade gold to be added to this lot in order that your deposit will meet the requirements of the Mint.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

OH-B

February 4, 1933.

Mr. Leslie Haber,
319 West 6th St.,
Belvidere, Ill.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 3d inst., I regret to say that I am unable to give you any information relative to land that is open to prospecting for gold and silver and where you could establish a homestead as the Mint does not have any contact with such matters all homesteading being under the jurisdiction of the United States Land Office, possibly the branch of that department in Denver could give you some information on the subject, but I doubt very much that you would find any land open for prospecting which is known to contain gold and silver.

Regretting that I cannot be of assistance to you,

I am

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

February 4, 1933.

The National Gold Refineries,
311 Loews State Building,
Los Angeles, Calif.

Sirs:

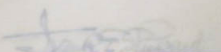
I have your letter of the 1st inst. relative to the charges on your recent deposit at this institution and have to advise that the gold and silver content in your material had a total of 220 assay parts, out of a possible thousand, or just a trifle over the very minimum deposits must contain in order to be acceptable for purchase. It, therefore, carried a parting and refining charge of $8\frac{1}{2}\%$ per ounce, in addition to the \$1.00 melting charge and an alloy charge of 1% .

I note that you state that in my letter to you of January 16th you were advised that the charges would be \$1.00 up to one thousand ounces and a little extra charge for the chemical used. As a matter of fact, my letter stated as follows: "The Mint charges \$1.00 for Melting up to one thousand ounces and a treatment charge which varies with the amount of base metal contained in the deposit and it would therefor be to your interest to have that content as small as you can make it."

I am enclosing a copy of our table of charges from

which you will note that your deposit required the maximum refining charge, and I would suggest that you read this circular carefully before forwarding further deposits to the Mint.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

CH-B

February 4, 1933.

Mr. L. Page,
Safford, Ariz.

Sir:

I am in receipt of your small consignment, under date of 2d inst., and have to advise that upon receipt here your retorts and grains weigh 2.34 Troy ounces instead of about $2\frac{1}{2}$ ounces, as stated by you. Owing to this discrepancy, I have to request that you advise me promptly if the weight of your material as received at the Mint meets with your approval.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

OH-B

February 6, 1933.

Mr. F. N. Manley,
313 South E St.,
Oskaloosa, Iowa.

Sir;

If the old gold to which you refer will have a value of \$100, and a pure gold content equal to at least one-fourth of its weight, it may be forwarded here for purchase, this being the least amount accepted as a deposit. The charges for treating such material are \$1.00 for melting and a parting and refining charge based upon the amount of base metal the material contains.

Respectfully,

OH-B

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

February 6, 1933.

Mr. E. B. Crowder,
Tayler, Texas.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 3d inst., you are advised that the Mint will purchase old gold and silver in minimum lots having a value of not less than \$100., provided the pure gold, or pure gold and silver, content of each deposit is equal to at least one-fourth of its weight. Consignments must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have all transportation charges paid.

Respectfully,

CH-B

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

February 6, 1933.

Mr. James A. Farley,
Dodge City,
Kansas.

Sir:

Answering your letter of the 4th inst., please be advised that the Mint does not deal in old coins in any manner and I am unable, therefore, to give you any information concerning the copper coin of which you enclose an impression, nor am I able to supply you with the names and addresses of any dealers in such articles.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

CH-B

February 6, 1935.

Mr. H. D. Pierce,
c/o General Delivery,
Shreveport, La.

Sir:

I have your letter of the 3d inst, and am enclosing a circular giving full information covering the receipt of deposits at the Mint, which I believe will answer all the questions contained in your latter.

It is not necessary to melt your gold into a bar before forwarding it to the Mint. Should you desire to include in your deposit gold filled and plated scrap, this may be done provided you include enough high grade silver to offset the base metal in such material.

Kindly note that all consignments must be accompanied by a letter of advice.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

CH-B

February 6, 1933.

George Kadin Company,
314 Empire Bldg.,
Milwaukee, Wis.

Sirs:

As previously advised, the Mint has no deposit slips available for depositors at the present time. The stock having become entirely exhausted.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

OH-B

February 6, 1933,

Mr. M. W. Eaton,
708 Clay Ave.,
Houston, Texas,

Sir:

Answering your letter of the 30th ult. you are advised that the Mint imposes a melting charge of \$1.00 on each deposit up to one thousand ounces, or fraction, and a parting and refining charge varying from $1\frac{1}{2}$ to $8\frac{1}{2}$ per ounce according to the amount of base metal the deposits contain. Gold is paid for at the rate of \$20.67 for each pure Troy ounce, after the above charges have been deducted. The Mint does not buy platinum nor separate it when forwarded with gold deposits for return to the depositor. Payment for deposits is usually made within three to six days after their receipt at the Mint.

The Mint has no bulletins or other printed matter for distribution.

Respectfully,

Frank M. Shepard, Superintendent.

CH-B

February 6, 1933,

Mr. F. W. Pollman,
La Cygne, Kansas.

Sir:

Referring to your consignment under date of the 2d inst., having a total weight upon received here of 20.80 Troy ounces, I have to advise that if the ~~small~~ nugget included therein weighing 2.33 Troy ounces consists of placer or new gold, it could be treated separately, and its value given you on our memorandum of returns, but if it has been made up of gold from manufactured articles it could not be treated separately not having the status of a deposit.

I am enclosing a source of production card for your use in stating the source from which the gold contained in this nugget has been obtained, in the event it is composed of newly mined gold.

Please advise me promptly regarding this nugget as I am deferring treatment of your deposit pending this information.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

OM-B

February 6, 1933.

Mr. F. R. Drake,
Hitchcock, Okla.

Sir:

Answering your letter of the 1st inst., I am unable to give you any information as to the procedure which you should adopt in purchasing and testing old gold. The assay accepts deposits of such material when they have a value of not less than \$100., and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver, content equal to at least one-fifth of the weight of the deposit, paying \$20.67 for each Troy ounce of pure gold, less a melting charge of \$1.00 up to one thousand ounces, or fraction thereof, and a treatment charge based upon the amount of base metal contained in each deposit. Consignments must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have all transportation charges paid.

Respectfully.

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

OH-B

February 6, 1933.

Mrs. Olive J. Hatcher,
203 Petroleum Bldg.,
Fort Worth, Texas.

Dear Madam:

Answering your letter of the 31st ult. I am unable to give you any information as to the procedure which you should adopt in purchasing and testing old gold. The Mint accepts deposits of such material when they ~~weigh at least~~ less than \$100., and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver, content equal to at least one-fifth of the weight of the deposit, paying \$20.67 for each Troy ounce of pure gold, less a melting charge of \$1.00 up to one thousand ounces, or fraction thereof, and a treatment charge based upon the amount of base metal contained in each deposit. Consignments must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have all transportation charges paid.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

OH-B

February 6, 1933.

Mr. A. M. Beaman,
121 So. Second St.,
Durant, Okla.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of 31st ult., you are advised that the Mint will purchase old gold when deposits have a value not under \$100., nor a pure gold, or pure gold and silver, content less than one-fifth of the weight of the deposit. Should you include any filled scrap or plated ware particular care should be taken that the above proportion of the precious metals is maintained, and where any doubt exists high grade silver in the proportion of one-fourth of the weight of such material should be included. The Mint pays \$20.67 for each Troy ounce of pure gold, and approximately the New York market price for silver, less \$1.00 for melting each deposit up to and including one thousand ounces, or fraction, and a treatment charge varying from $1\frac{1}{2}$ to $8\frac{1}{2}$ per ounce, according to the amount of base metal contained in the deposit. Consignments must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have all transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

February 6, 1933.

Mr. W. R. Ainslie,
Mitchell, So. Dak.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 4th inst., you are advised that the Mint will purchase old gold when deposits have a value not under \$100., nor a pure gold, or pure gold and silver, content less than one-fifth of the weight of the deposit. Should you include any filled scrap or plated ware particular care should be taken that the above proportion of the precious metals is maintained, and where any doubt exists high grade silver in the proportion of one-fourth of the weight of such material should be included. The Mint pays \$20.67 for each Troy ounce of pure gold, and approximately the New York market price for silver, less \$1.00 for melting each deposit up to and including one thousand ounces, or fraction, and a treatment charge varying from 1¢ to 8¢ per ounce, according to the amount of base metal contained in these deposits. Consignments must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have all transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

February 6, 1933.

Mr. O. J. Marcellus,
1440 1/2 So. Fairfax,
Los Angeles, Calif.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 27th ult., you are advised that the Mint will purchase old gold when deposits have a value not under \$100., nor a pure gold, or pure gold and silver, content less than one-fifth of the weight of the deposit. Should you include any filled scrap or plated ware particular care should be taken that the above proportion of the precious metals is maintained, and where any doubt exists high grade silver in the proportion of one-fourth of the weight of such material should be included. The Mint pays \$20.67 for each Troy ounce of pure gold, and approximately the New York market price for silver, less \$1.00 for melting each deposit up to and including one thousand ounces, or fraction, and a treatment charge varying from 1¢ to 8 1/2¢ per ounce, according to the amount of base metal contained in these deposits. Consignments must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have all transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

February 6, 1933.

Mr. Fred Driscoll,
Whitewood, So. Dak.

Box 145

Sir:

Answering your letter of the 2d inst., I am uncertain as to what you mean by gold coated with sulphide of silver.

The Mint will purchase gold bullion when the pure gold content thereof is 200 assay parts out of a possible thousand and the value of the consignment is at least \$1000. I am free in doubt as to what you mean by getting it ready for shipment to the Mint and would therefore suggest that you write me further as to the nature of your metal and the information desired by you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

OH-B

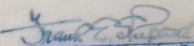
February 6, 1933.

Mr. R. Weksler,
5 So. Wabash Ave.,
Chicago, Ill.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 4th inst., I have to advise that gold and silver bullion assays could be made for you within five days by this institution, a copy of our table of charges being herewith enclosed.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

OH-B

February 6, 1933.

Mr. Raymon B. Handy,
Cashier, First Nat'l Bank,
Loveland, Colo.

Sir;

Answering your letter of the 4th inst., the following table will give you the gross weight and the fine weight - or pure silver content - of the various silver coins of the United States in fractional Troy ounces. By multiplying the fine weight of any one of these coins by the New York market price of silver, which today is 25-7/8¢ per Troy ounce, it will give you the bullion value of that coin, one-tenth of the gross weight consisting of copper alloy:

Denomination	Pure Silver Content	Gross Weight
\$1.00	.7734375	.859375
.50	.3616875	.401875
.25	.180843	.200937
.10	.072337	.080375

Regarding your inquiry relative to the position of the Mint on the remonetization of silver, I have to advise that such questions do not come within the scope of the Mint's activities, which are limited to the purchase of gold and silver bullion and the manufacture of such coins as the Treasurer of the United States deems necessary to meet the demand of business.

Your stamped envelope herewith returned.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

February 6, 1933.

Major A. J. Roberts,
The Salvation Army,
Citadel 136 West Webster Ave.,
Miskeygon, Mich.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 4th inst. relative to your contemplated campaign to accumulate old broken and obsolete jewelry, I have to advise that the Mint will accept for purchase such material when forwarded in lots having a value of \$100. or over and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content equal to at least one-fifth of the weight of the deposit. The Mint does not purchase platinum nor can that metal be separated from the other metals with which it may be forwarded and returned to the depositor. If you have much filled or plated ware in your shipments, you should include high grade silver in the proportion of one-fourth of the weight of such material to offset the base metal therein contained. The Mint charges \$1.00 for melting each deposit up to and including one thousand ounces, or fraction, and 10¢ for each additional hundred ounces, or fraction, together with the treatment charge which varies according to the base material contained in each deposit. I doubt very much that you will be able to refine this old jewelry yourselves and have no printed matter which I can send you that would give you the necessary information to do such refining.

Altho there are a number of private refineries in the different large cities, I am unable to give you the address of any one of these concerns.

I am enclosing a circular containing practically all the foregoing information relative to the conditions under which deposits are received and have to suggest that you read this very carefully and note that each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have all transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

OK-B

DENVER FEBRUARY 7, 1933

C. WOOD
WESLACO TEXAS

IF GOLD BULLION YOUR TELEGRAM SIXTH HAS VALUE OF ONE
HUNDRED DOLLARS AND GOLD CONTENT STATED MINT WILL PURCHASE SAME.
TRANSPORTATION CHARGES MUST BE PREPAID. WILL REQUIRE ABOUT FIVE
DAYS TO TREAT WHEN CHECK ON TREASURER UNITED STATES WILL BE
FORWARDED. SEND LETTER OF ADVICE WITH SHIPMENT.



Superintendent Mint

Collect charges at WESLACO

February 7, 1933

Mr. L. C. Stockbridge,
1819 Lyndale Avenue, South,
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 27th ultimo, you are advised that the Mint will purchase jewelry scrap when sent in lots having a minimum value, provided, such material contains at least one-fifth of its weight in pure gold, or pure gold and silver. If this proportion of the precious metals is doubtful, sufficient high-grade silver should be included to make sure the deposit will meet this requirement. In making up your shipments, please bear in mind that gold-filled and gold-plated ware contain very little gold.

It is generally necessary to send from 7 to 15 ounces of gold containing 18 karats down to 8 karats to equal \$100.00 in value, and as our charges for separating and refining bullion are based on the amount of base metal contained in the material, the greater the proportion of high-grade gold, the less these charges will be. It is not necessary to melt your material into a bar before forwarding it to the Mint.

The Mint pays \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold contained in deposits and the New York market price, less the fraction for silver, deducting from the proceeds \$1.00 for melting up to 1000 ounces and the treatment charge above referred to, which varies from $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$ per ounce, depending upon the amount of base metal contained in the material.

Each consignment just be accompanied by a letter of advice.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

February 7, 1933

Mr. C. E. Pharmer,
C/o General Delivery,
Port Worth, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 4th instant, you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold when consignments contain not less than \$100.00 in value and have a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content equal to at least one-fifth of the weight of the deposit.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

3¢ stamp returned.

February 7, 1933

Mr. Russell Brazina,
1022 West Wells Street, Apartment 7,
Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 4th instant, you are advised that the Mint will accept deposits of old gold when they contain not less than \$100.00 in value and have a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content equal to at least one-fifth of their weight.

The amount of gold and silver is determined by melting all the articles composing the deposit into a bar and then assaying the bar for its gold and silver content.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have all transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

February 7, 1933

Mr. Charles E. Dennis,
521 Pooley Building,
Salt Lake City, Utah.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letters under date of the
30th ultimo and the 3rd instant, I have to advise that
our daily records of deposits have been examined for a
number of months and I do not find that any of the parties
mentioned in your letters have forwarded any bullion to
the Mint for purchase.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

February 8, 1933

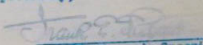
Mrs. Marguerite M. Sutton,
Henderson, Colorado. Box 43

Dear Madam:

I have your letter of the 6th instant and regret to say that I can not extend to you the privilege of having your class visit the Mint as it has been closed to visitors for a number of years and under these instructions no exceptions may be made thereto.

Regretting that I can not accommodate you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T
Stamped envelope returned

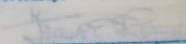
February 8, 1933

Mr. W. J. Rogers,
Connersville, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

Answering your note of 5th instant, please be advised that old jewelry is not purchased by the Mint in lots having a value under \$100.00 under which condition I am unable to purchase your old watch case. I would suggest that you endeavor to dispose of it to one of the larger manufacturing jewelers in your city.

Respectfully.


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

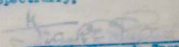
February 8, 1933

Mr. A. J. Asper,
Kingman, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your note on my letter to you of the 4th instant, I have this day returned to you by insured mail the so-called platinum pins recently forwarded with other material as a deposit at the Mint, using 6¢ of the 12¢ in postage enclosed with your note for that purpose and returning herewith 5¢ in stamps to balance.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OE:T
Enclosure

February 8, 1933

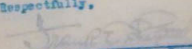
Mr. George Crockett,
436 North Amherst Street,
Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

I have your consignment under date of the 6th instant weighing upon receipt here 1.94 troy ounces and regret to advise that I can not purchase this material from you as two full troy ounces of gold is the minimum which has been fixed by the Treasury Department which may be accepted by the Mint.

If you so desire you might forward enough more gold to bring this shipment well over the two-ounce weight but in the event you do not desire to do this, please send the necessary postage and insurance for the return of your gold to you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

February 8, 1933

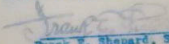
Mrs. Cora E. Snyder,
Box 26 - Route 1,
Mt. Morrison, Colorado.

Dear Madam:

Replying to your letter of the 7th instant, you are advised that old coins and old jewelry are purchased by the Mint only in lots having a value of at least \$100.00 - old coins being purchased simply as bullion.

The Mint does not deal in old coins in any other manner and I am therefore unable to give you any information concerning the pieces described in your letter.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:F

February 8, 1933

Mr. J. L. Burns,
1016 Nebraska Street,
Sioux City, Iowa.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 6th instant, you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00 and when the pure gold, or pure gold and silver content is not under one fifth of the weight of the deposit.

The Mint does not buy by the karat but on the basis of the troy ounce or fraction, at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold contained in the material, less a melting charge of \$1.00 up to 1000 ounces or fraction and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces or fraction, and a treatment charge which varies with the amount of base metal contained in the deposit.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

The Mint does not give any information as to the method buyers should pursue in determining what they should pay for old gold purchased by them.

Respectfully,

~~Wm. H. Shepard~~ Shepard, Superintendent

February 8, 1933

Mr. A. L. Jones,
Pharr, Texas.

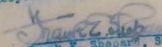
Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 4th instant, you are advised that the Mint will accept deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the weight of the material.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat, but on the basis of the troy ounce, or fraction, paying at the rate of \$20.57 for each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for 1000 or fraction, and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from $\frac{1}{16}$ ¢ to $6\frac{1}{16}$ ¢ per ounce according to the amount of base metal contained in the deposit.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

February 6, 1923

Mr. Walter Youngdale,
General Delivery,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 7th instant, you are advised that the Mint will accept deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the weight of the material.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat, but on the basis of the troy ounce, or fraction, paying at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for 1000 ounces or fraction, and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ to $9\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ cents per ounce according to the amount of base metal contained in the deposit.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

February 8, 1933

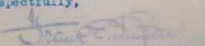
Mr. T. G. Wilson,
C/o F. M. Keithley,
Mount Vernon, Missouri, Route 4.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 1st instant and the mineral forwarded here by you for analysis, please be advised that the Mint is not equipped to do work of this kind. However, a reliable assay of your sample can be made for you by the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, at a charge of \$1.00 for gold and \$1.00 for silver - money order for the proper amount to accompany your samples.

If you desire the return of the sample you have forwarded here, please send the necessary postage for that purpose.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

February 9, 1933

Mountain States Telephone & Telegraph Company,
Denver, Colorado.

Gentlemen:

Referring to my letter to you under date of the 2nd instant advising that the Police Call Box in this building had been changed to meet the requirements of the Fire Department of the City of Denver, which change eliminated the use of the private special police line equipment now a part of your contract with the Mint - Contract T4m-65, dated June 8, 1932 - please find herewith four copies of Standard Form No. 40, which you are requested to execute as a supplemental contract under No. T4m-65 A, covering your charges for telephone service at this building, the special police line above mentioned being omitted therefrom.

Please return all four copies to me for approval by the Department at Washington when the original will be returned you for your files.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T
Enclosure

February 9, 1933

Mr. Edward J. King,
Kingsbarde Apartments,
King's Highway & Lombard Street,
Springfield, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 7th instant and have to advise that it will be impossible for you to recover the pure gold in your gold plated jewelry by melting. The separation of such metals is a very complicated process and the Mint does not furnish any information for that reason to depositors - it being considered that it would be best to have them acquire such knowledge from the proper textbooks on that subject.

The Mint will purchase your jewelry in lots having a value not under \$100.00 when the pure gold content is equal to at least one-fifth of the weight of the deposit.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

Stamps returned

February 2, 1933

Security State Bank,
San Juan, Texas.

Gentlemen:

Replying to your letter of the 6th instant, you are advised that the Mint will accept deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00, and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the weight of the deposit.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat, but on the basis of the troy ounce, or fraction, paying at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York price for silver, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for melting up to 1000 ounces and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces, or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ to $\frac{3}{4}$ ¢ per ounce according to the amount of base metal contained in the deposit.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

February 2, 1935

Mr. A. W. White,
419 East 2nd Street,
Jacksonville, Florida.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 6th instant, you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one fifth of the weight of the material.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat but on the basis of the troy ounce, or fraction, paying at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York price for silver, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for 1000 ounces or fraction and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from $\frac{1}{16}$ to $8\frac{1}{16}$ per ounce according to the amount of base metal contained in the deposit.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

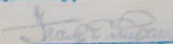
February 9, 1933

Mr. J. Michaelson,
Crown Loan & Jewelry Company,
103 West Central Avenue,
Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

Answering the last paragraph of your letter under date of the 3rd instant, I have to advise that it will not be necessary for you to melt your old gold jewelry before forwarding it to the Mint - all deposits being melted and assayed prior to payment.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

February 9, 1933

Mr. Lewis G. Sterner,
Wyberry Road, Somerton,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your postal card of the 5th instant,
please be advised that applications for new coins should be
addressed to the Treasurer of the United States, Washington,
D.C., as per the enclosed circular.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T
Enclosure

February 9, 1933

Mr. Julius Pearse,
American-LaFrance & Foamite Industries, Inc.,
1741 Arapahoe Street, Denver, Colorado.

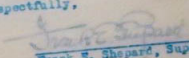
Gentlemen:

Enclosed please find bill received this morning from the Denver Fire Department, in amount \$10.00, for labor in connection with the modification of the police box in this building.

In this connection, I have to advise that under date of November 5, 1932, you submitted to me a proposal to furnish all parts and labor to modify the police box in this building for the sum of \$23.80 which was accepted by me by my order No. 90 under date of November 14, 1932, and payment was made you therefor on January 14th of this year.

As this labor charge should therefore be paid by you, I am sending the bill to you for that purpose with request that you return me duplicate copy of receipt for the files of this institution.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T
Enclosure

February 10, 1933

Mr. E. L. Medina,
Clifton, Arizona.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a small consignment of natural grains of gold bearing your name on the wrapper and have been holding same for treatment as the regulations require that no deposits may be entered on our books for treatment unless accompanied by a letter of advice. When this letter has been received your deposit will be treated.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OE:T

February 10, 1933

Mr. C. E. Masoner,
Rupert, Idaho.

Dear Sir:

The metal forwarded by you appears to be pewter and is therefore unacceptable as a deposit at the Mint.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance this metal will be returned you and you are requested to give this your prompt attention.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

February 10, 1923

Mr. M. Kwapii,
3582 North 10th Street,
Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a consignment bearing your name on the wrapper weighing upon receipt here 46.34 troy ounces and have to advise that the Mint does not accept material of this kind having a value under \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content less than one-fifth of the weight of the deposit.

Your material apparently will fall considerably below the required minimum value, as well as the necessary fineness. I would therefore suggest that you send several ounces of good gold to increase the value and enough high grade silver to offset the base metal content of this material. If this is not convenient, please send the necessary postage and insurance for the return of your consignment to you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CR:T

February 10, 1933

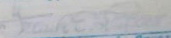
Mr. T. J. Straley,
Alamo, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a small consignment weighing 1.59 troy ounces, unaccompanied by a letter of advice, and have to advise that two full troy ounces of gold is the very least amount accepted for purchase.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance your material will be returned you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

February 10, 1923

Pagin Brothers,
18 South Broadway,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

Answering the last paragraph of your letter of the 4th instant you are advised that gold filled material is not purchased by the Mint unless the pure gold content has a value of at least \$100.00 and the consignment is accompanied by sufficient high-grade silver to give the material a pure gold and silver content equal to at least one-fifth of the weight of the deposit. Silver is not purchased unless accompanied by an appreciable amount of gold.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

February 10, 1923

Mr. H. M. Hargis,
C/o General Delivery,
Moberly, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 7th instant, you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of not less than \$100.00 and a pure gold or pure gold and silver content of at least one-fifth of the weight of the material.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat but on the basis of the troy ounce, or fraction, paying at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for 1000 ounces or fraction and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from $\frac{1}{4}$ ¢ to $\frac{3}{4}$ ¢ per ounce according to the amount of base metal contained in the deposit.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,

Frank M. Shepard, Superintendent

February 10, 1933

Lewis Reinhold Company,
Attention: Mr. W. H. Fink,
Manning Iowa.

Gentlemen:

Replying to your letter of the 8th ultimo, you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the weight of the material.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat but on the basis of the troy ounce, or fraction, paying at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market for silver, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for 1000 ounces or fraction and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from $\frac{1}{16}$ ¢ to $\frac{3}{16}$ ¢ per ounce according to the amount of base metal contained in the deposit.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepley, Superintendent

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February 10, 1933

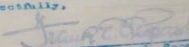
Bradshaw Printing Company,
Attention: Mr. William G. Bradshaw,
39 Caroline Street,
Saratoga Springs, New York.

Gentlemen:

Answering your letter of the 7th instant, I have to advise that the Mint does not have in its possession any of the coins desired by you nor am I able to furnish you information as to where same may be obtained.

Regretting that I am unable to be of assistance to you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

February 10, 1933

Mr. Lauren Benson,
507 First National Bank Building,
Davenport, Iowa.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 8th instant,
please be advised that application for new coins must be
made to the Treasurer of the United States at Washington,
D.C., as per the enclosed circular.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

Enclosure

February 10, 1933

Mr. Nick Karragianis,
Pilot Knob, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 7th instant and have to advise that there are no mines operating in Denver and if you wish the names of some mines operating throughout this state, I would suggest that you write to the Mining Engineer, Denver, Colorado, for such information as you desire pertaining thereto.

As I understand your letter, if you have a large quantity of gold ore and sand, you should take up your problem with some smelter, such as the Golden Cycle Corporation of Colorado Springs, Colorado. Before going to any expense in this matter, however, I would suggest that you definitely ascertain if the metal you assume to be gold is actually that metal.

Respectfully,

[Handwritten signature]
Francis J. [illegible] - [illegible]

February 10, 1933

Mr. J. A. Mumney,
Hickerson, Kansas. R.R. 1

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 8th instant, I am unable to suggest any method by which you could separate your gold from the other ~~material~~ with which you have melted it. If you have enough gold to weigh at least two troy ounces and the other metal does not weigh over three quarters of the total, it may be forwarded here for purchase. I would suggest, however, that you send - ~~with~~ sample in advance to ascertain if your material is suitable as a deposit at the Mint. Please accompany same with a letter of advice.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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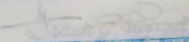
February 10, 1933

Mr. J. E. Sauer,
Tolley, North Dakota.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of January 21st, last,
I have to advise that the metal referred to therein, and
which you state Louis V. Sauer of Minneapolis is sending
to the Mint, has not been received to date.

Respectfully,


FRANK W. SHEPARD, Superintendent

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February 10, 1933

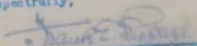
Mr. Pat R. Burke,
Gillette, Wyoming.

Dear Sir:

I have your small consignment accompanying your letter of the 7th instant, weighing upon receipt here 4.49 troy ounces, and have to advise that the Mint does not purchase old jewelry unless there is present a value of at least \$100.00 and one fifth of the weight of the deposit consists of pure gold, or pure gold and silver.

In view of the fact that your material will not even approximate the above minimum, I would suggest that you forward the necessary postage and insurance for its return to you.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

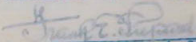
CH:T

~~American~~ ~~Roll~~ Surety Co B.H.Y.
17 ch + Wilton St
Denver, Colo

UNITED STATES MINT, Denver, Colorado.
February 10, 1933

Respectfully returned with the information that Richard T. Clark was appointed temporary guard at this institution on April 1, 1927, and served until the close of business on April 28, 1927, when he resigned on account of sickness. He was reappointed on January 25, 1928, and served until February 29, 1928, when he was dropped because his services were no longer required.

During his period of service his work was entirely satisfactory but I have no other information regarding him.



Frank S. Shepard, Superintendent

February 11, 1933

Hausser-Miller,
Smelters and Refiners,
113 North Eleventh Street,
St. Louis, Missouri.

Gentlemen:

I have your consignment under date of the 9th instant and have to advise that upon receipt here your gold weighs 34.59 troy ounces instead of 34.70 ounces as stated by you. This material consists of one bar broken in two pieces. Please advise us promptly if the Mint weight meets with your approval.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Safford, Superintendent

OK:T

February 11, 1933

Mr. James W. Brady,
Assistant Cashier,
Bank of America,
Piru, California.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 8th instant, please be advised that the Act of Congress of January 16, 1915, authorized the striking of \$50, \$2.50 and \$1.00 gold pieces; also silver half dollars for the Panama-Pacific Exposition Company all stamped with the date "1915".

There were 10,017 pieces coined of the \$2.50 gold pieces, quarter eagle. There were two types of the \$50 piece, one being round and the other octagonal in shape.

The Exposition was held in San Francisco in 1915 and these coins were struck at the United States Mint in that city.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

February 11, 1933

Mr. Charles E. McHowe,
Seeley, California.

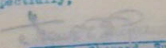
Dear Sir:

In June 1932 I received from you a small consignment consisting of natural grains of gold weighing 79/100 of a troy ounce and on the 2nd of that month you were advised that this gold could not be purchased by the Mint - two full troy ounces of gold being the minimum accepted - and you were requested to forward the necessary postage and insurance for the return of this gold to you.

So far you have not replied to my letter and I have now again to request that you send me this postage in order that your gold may be returned you, our vault space being much limited.

The courtesy of a prompt reply will be appreciated.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

February 13, 1935

Mr. R. M. Holloway,
Harlingen, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 10th instant, please be advised that so far as I am aware no criticism has been made regarding the new quarters not stacking properly.

Like all other coinage, the Mints manufactured only the amount which appeared to be necessary to meet the probable demand and it is not likely that any more of these new quarters will be made until the present stock appears to be insufficient.

If any commemorative coins of the character mentioned by you are issued, it is probable they will be struck at the United States Mint at Philadelphia, but I have no information at the present time regarding the minting of these coins.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

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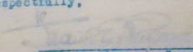
February 13, 1933

Dr. Frederick Borchers,
413 $\frac{1}{2}$ Fourth Street,
Sioux City, Iowa.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of recent date, please be advised that regardless of the condition in which deposits are received they are melted by the Mint in order to obtain the proper assay before payment is made. It would therefore expedite payment if you melt your material before forwarding it here for purchase.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

February 13, 1933

Dr. J. S. Safford,
504 Broadway,
Gary, Indiana.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your consignment under date of the 10th instant, I have to advise that your 22-karat and 18-karat gold bridges and scrap weigh upon receipt here 4.27 troy ounces instead of 102 pennyweights and 12 grains, or 5.13 troy ounces, as stated by you.

Manufactured gold is not purchased by the Mint when the value is below \$100.00 and as your deposit will not have that value, it will be necessary for you to send at least another ounce of high-grade gold in order that it will have the value required by the Mint.

When forwarding this gold, please state if the weight of your material as above mentioned is satisfactory to you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:F

February 13, 1933

Dewey & Sandt, Inc.,
16 East Milwaukee Street,
Janesville, Wisconsin.

Gentlemen:

Replying to your letter of the 10th instant, you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the weight of the material.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat but on the basis of the troy ounce, or fraction, paying at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for 1000 ounces or fraction and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ to $\frac{3}{4}$ ¢ per ounce, according to the amount of base metal contained in the material.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

February 12, 1933

Mr. L. T. Moran,
204 Pine Street, Room 408
St. Louis, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 10th instant, you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the weight of the material.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat but on the basis of the troy ounce or fraction, paying at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for 1000 ounces or fraction and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from $\frac{1}{16}$ ¢ to $8\frac{1}{16}$ ¢ per ounce, according to the amount of base metal contained in the deposit.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

February 13, 1933

Mr. Edwin Frank Gleason,
1006 - 8th Street,
Alexandria, Louisiana.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 9th instant, you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the weight of the material.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat but on the basis of the troy ounce or fraction, paying at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for melting up to 1000 ounces or fraction and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ to $\frac{3}{4}$ ¢ per ounce according to the amount of base metal contained in the deposit.

While check in payment of deposits could be forwarded to any address desired by the depositor, it is best to have a permanent address to which they may be forwarded owing to the chances of having such remittances lost in the mail.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,

Frank S. Shepard, Superintendent

February 18, 1935

Mr. John Vogelsand,
Masonic Building,
Austin, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your postal card of the 10th instant, you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00, and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the weight of the material.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat, but on the basis of the troy ounce, or fraction, paying at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for 1000 ounces or fraction and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from $8\frac{1}{2}\%$ to $8\frac{3}{4}\%$ per ounce according to the amount of base metal contained in the material.

I have to advise that the Mint does not furnish any information for testing the quality of old gold, nor does the Mint buy silver unless accompanied by an appreciable amount of gold.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

February 13, 1933

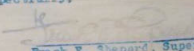
Mr. F. G. Bungenstock,
Department 75, Western Electric Company,
100 Central Avenue, Kearny, New Jersey.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 9th instant, please be advised that applications for new coins must now be addressed to the Treasurer of the United States at Washington, D.C., as per the enclosed circular.

The stamps and stamped envelope enclosed with your letter are returned herewith.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

Enclosures

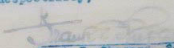
February 13, 1933

Draper Canning Company,
Attention: Mr. H. C. Draper,
Milton, Delaware.

Gentlemen:

Answering your letter of the 9th instant, please be advised that the Mint can not furnish you any information as to the value of any mining property, such matters being outside the activities of this institution.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

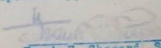
February 13, 1933

Mr. Walter Vocke,
Bartlett, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 10th instant, please be advised that the Mint is not equipped to make assays of mineral bearing ore, but reliable work of this kind can be done for you by the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, at a charge of \$1.00 for gold and \$1.00 for silver - money order for the proper amount payable to that office to accompany your samples.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

February 13, 1933

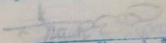
Mr. S. A. Giles,
Camp Crater,
Ashland, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

I have your interesting letter of the 10th instant and regret to say that the Mint has no fund which could be used to assist you in developing your mining properties - our appropriation by law being available only for the treatment of deposits of gold delivered at the Mint which are in acceptable condition for treatment and purchase.

I also regret that I know of no one with whom I could suggest you correspond in regard to this matter.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

February 13, 1933

Mr. John Berkowitz,
206 Murdock Building,
Wichita, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your deposit under date of the 8th instant, consisting of four bars and one 18-karat case, weighing upon receipt here 23.86 troy ounces, I have to advise that as our weight is considerably less than that given by you, 24.25 troy ounces, you are requested to advise me promptly if the weight as received at the Mint meets with your approval- the package having been received in good condition with no evidence of having been tampered with.

Please advise me promptly regarding this matter.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

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February 14, 1935

Mr. J. Bosina,
1593 Juno Street,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 8th instant, you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the weight of the material.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat but on the basis of the troy ounce or fraction, paying at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for 1000 ounces or fraction and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ to 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ per ounces according to the amount of base metal contained in the deposit.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,

Frank B. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

Stamped envelope returned

February 14, 1933

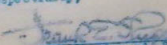
Mr. R. T. Alloway,
75 Hillside Avenue,
Verona, New Jersey.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your request under date of the
same instant for certain coins of this Mint, please be ad-
vised that all applications for new coins should be ad-
dressed to the Treasurer of the United States at Washington,
D.C., as per the enclosed circular.

Your seven cents in stamps and self-addressed
stamped envelope enclosed with your letter are returned
herewith.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T
Enclosures

February 14, 1933

Mr. C. F. Leighton,
General Delivery,
Miami, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your inquiry of the 9th instant, you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the weight of the material.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat but on the basis of the troy ounce, or fraction, paying at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for 1000 ounces or fraction and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from $\frac{1}{4}$ ¢ to $\frac{9}{16}$ ¢ per ounce according to the amount of base metal contained in the deposit.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CU:T

February 14, 1933

Mr. A. J. Falk,
283 Westminister Avenue,
Hillside, New Jersey.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your request for certain coins of this Mint, please be advised that all applications for new coins must be addressed to the Treasurer of the United States, Washington, D.C., as per the enclosed circular.

The coin enclosed with your letter is returned herewith.

Respectfully,


Frank B. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:2
Enclosures

February 14, 1933

Mr. Charles E. Williamson,
Camaguey, Cienfuegos, Mexico.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your shipment under date of the 4th instant, your letter of advice accompanying same being without signature, I have to advise that your deposit upon receipt here weighs 12.86 troy ounces, instead of 13 ounces and 18 pennyweights, as stated by you.

I am withholding treatment of this material pending receipt of advice from you that our weight is satisfactory and have to request that in future you sign your letters of advice.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OS:T

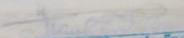
February 14, 1933

Mr. W. L. Barnett,
Carrizozo, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your small consignment of recent date weighing upon receipt here 1.66 troy ounces, and regret to advise that two full troy ounces of gold is the very least accepted by the Mint for purchase. I would therefore suggest that you forward the necessary postage and insurance for the return of this gold to you.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

OW:2

February 14, 1933

El Paso National Bank,
El Paso, Texas.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your shipment No. 313, please be advised that your seven bars upon receipt here weigh 232.12 troy ounces, instead of 270.7 ounces as invoiced by you.

I am withholding treatment of this deposit and have to request that you will advise me promptly if the weight as received at the Mint is satisfactory to you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

February 14, 1933

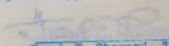
Mr. Otto E. Riosinger,
Hannasville, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your consignment under date of the 9th instant, I have to advise that your material does not appear to contain the minimum value of \$100.00 accepted by the Mint and I would suggest that you send enough good gold to give this deposit an additional value of \$50.00 in order that it will fully comply with the above requirement.

I am holding your material without treatment until further advised by you in the premises.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

February 14, 1933

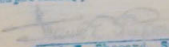
Dr. Jesse M. Asbury,
809 Medical Arts Building,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your consignment under date of the 11th instant which you state has a weight of 2 ounces and 60 grains, you are advised that this shipment weighs upon receipt here 1.98 troy ounces or 13/100 of a troy ounce less than you state.

Before adding this metal to your previous shipment and treating same, I have to request that you will advise me promptly if our weight meets with your approval.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

February 14, 1933

Jacobs Jewelry Company,
1017 Walnut Street,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your consignment of the 11th instant, consisting of two small bars, I have to advise that your smaller bar, which according to your advice should weigh 11 ounces, upon receipt here weighs 10.96 troy ounces, and the larger bar weighs 19.97 troy ounces instead of 20.05 ounces as stated by you.

As these bars do not appear to have been tampered with and your package was received in perfect condition, I have proceeded to treat this bullion but thought it proper to call your attention to this slight discrepancy in weight.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

February 14, 1933

Mr. W. C. Mel,
C/o Colorado Fuel & Iron Company,
Pueblo, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 13th instant, I have to advise that the Mint does not ~~not~~ ~~never~~ in any quantity, and while it is against the policy of this institution to recommend any outside dealers, I would suggest that you could very likely obtain this silver from the American Smelting & Refining Company, Equitable Building, or the American Metal Company, Continental Oil Building, both in this city.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

February 14, 1933

Mr. W. W. Wood,
Secretary, Chamber of Commerce,
Grand Junction, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 10th inst.,
please be advised that this Mint could not undertake to
manufacture for you any private coinage, the law forbid-
ding the Mint to engage in such practice.

Respectfully,


Frank M. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

DENVER February 15, 1933

C. WHITTENBURG
McALLEN TEXAS

PRELIMINARY TEST YOUR BARS INDICATES NO GOLD OR SILVER

CONTENT MINT CANNOT ACCEPT THEM.



Superintendent Mint

Collect Charges at McAllen

February 14, 1933

Mr. H. J. Archer,
General Delivery,
Davenport, Iowa.

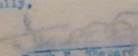
Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 12th instant, you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the weight of the material.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat but on the basis of the troy ounce, or fraction, paying at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for 1000 ounces or fraction and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from $\frac{1}{4}$ ¢ to $\frac{3}{4}$ ¢ per ounce according to the amount of base metal contained in the material.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have all transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,


Frank H. Shepard, Superintendent

February 14, 1923

C. E. Hettinger Dental Laboratories, Inc.,
1114 - 1116 Grand Avenue,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Gentlemen:

I have your letter of the 13th instant and am enclosing herewith a copy of our table of charges and also a circular giving full information relative to the conditions under which deposits are accepted at the Mint - these pamphlets, I believe, containing all the information desired by you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T
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February 14, 1933

Mr. T. T. Heldaway,
Clester, Arizona.

Dear Sir:

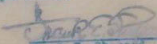
I have your letter of the 7th instant in regard to your recent consignment at this institution and have to advise that upon receipt here your package appeared to be in perfect condition in every way and the bottle containing your report was about three-fourths full. When deposits are received in bad condition, they are not treated until the depositor has been communicated with to ascertain if the contents found are satisfactory to him.

Your letter of advice did not give any information as to the approximate weight of your material, stating only that the bottle was about three-fourth full which proved to be the case. The contents of your bottle were weighed in the presence of two employees who checked its weight and the weight of your bar was also checked by several employees after it had been melted. So I feel confident that no mistake has been made by this institution.

I note that your material lost slightly over half an ounce in melting which was probably due to considerable mercury being present.

I regret your disappointment in this matter and would suggest that if possible for you to do so you state in your letters of advice the approximate weight of your material at the time of its shipment to the Mint and if upon receipt here this weight is not found you will be notified that your consignment is being held for further advice from you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shapert, Superintendent

CH:T

February 15, 1933

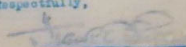
Kasner Jewelry Company,
509 West Main Street,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your letter and consignment under date of the 15th instant, I have to advise that I have removed from your material a piece of metal weighing 6.15 troy ounces, which does not contain any gold or silver and would simply increase the base metal content of your deposit and our treatment charges applying thereon without being of any benefit to you.

The weight of your deposit as entered for treatment is 92.36 troy ounces and upon receipt of the necessary postage the foregoing piece of metal will be returned you. If you do not desire its return, please notify me promptly.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

February 15, 1933

Mr. Sterling S. Davis,
Parkman, Wyoming.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 10th instant, please be advised that the Mint does not sell silver in any form or quantity and under these conditions I regret that I can not be of any assistance to you in this matter.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

February 15, 1933

Mr. J. A. Mamey,
Hickerson, Kansas. R.R. 1

Dear Sir:

I am returning herewith the small particles of metal enclosed with your letter of the 13th instant which do not contain any gold but consist of iron as you can ascertain for yourself by using a magnet.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T
Enclosure

February 15, 1933

Mr. Arthur H. Lamb,
Pawhuska, Oklahoma.

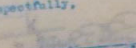
Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 14th instant, you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the weight of the material.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat, but on the basis of the troy ounce, or fraction, paying at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for 1000 ounces or fraction and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces of fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from $\frac{1}{16}$ to $8\frac{1}{16}$ per ounce according to the amount of base metal contained in the deposit.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:7

Stamped envelope returned

February 15, 1933

Mr. F. M. Poston,
P.O. Box, 686,
Lewistown, Montana.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 11th instant you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the weight of the material.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat but on the basis of the troy ounce or fraction, paying at the rate of \$20.67 per troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for 1000 ounces or fraction and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from $\frac{1}{4}$ ¢ to $\frac{3}{4}$ ¢ per ounce according to the amount of base metal contained in the deposit.

Each deposit must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,

Frank M. Shepard, Superintendent

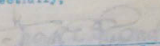
February 15, 1933

Mr. R. C. Fellhauer,
Weckaw, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

Answering your inquiry of the 13th instant, please be advised that the Mint is not equipped to make assays of mineral bearing ores and sand, but reliable work of this kind can be done for you by the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, at a charge of \$1.00 for gold and \$1.00 for silver - money order for the proper amount payable to that office to accompany your samples.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CR:T

February 15, 1933

Goldman Jewelry Company,
1107 Walnut Street,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your shipment under date of the 13th instant, consisting of 310.69 troy ounces of filled ware and 60.89 troy ounces of silver, or a total of 371.58 troy ounces, please be advised that it will be necessary for you to send not less than 20 ounces more of high grade silver to render your material acceptable for purchase. Gold filled material should always be accompanied by at least one-fourth of its weight in sterling silver.

In this connection please also be advised that our treatment charges, ranging from $\frac{1}{4}$ ¢ to $6\frac{1}{4}$ ¢ per troy ounce, are based on the amount of base metal contained in deposits and it would be to your advantage to send as much high-grade gold and high-grade silver as possible that these charges may be reduced proportionately.

I am withholding treatment of your deposit until further advised by you in the premises.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

February 16, 1933

Mr. Thomas E. Trent,
Lock Box 299,
Custer, South Dakota.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with your request under date of the 13th instant, I have this day turned over to the Victor Stern Jewelry Store (Mr. Victor Stern), 409 - 17th Street, this city, the small amount of gold forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase.

I am returning herewith the 10¢ in postage enclosed with your letter.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

Enclosure

February 16, 1935

Mr. Earl E. Brunsberger, Jr.,
1601 Clossen Boulevard,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

I accordance with your request I am returning you the medal recently forwarded by you to the Mint for purchase and have to advise that this could not be redeemed as it is not a \$20 gold piece as you apparently thought when writing your previous letter to the Mint. Your medal weighs 75/100 of a troy ounce, while a \$20 gold piece weighs 1.075 troy ounces.

I have used 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ of the 25¢ in postage enclosed with you letter to cover postage and insurance for the return of this medal and am enclosing 15 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ in stamps to balance, together with your stamped envelope.

I would suggest that you endeavor to dispose of this medal to one of the large manufacturing jewelry firms in your city - the Mint not recommending any outside dealers.

Respectfully,

Frank S. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T
Enclosure

February 16, 1933

Mr. H. H. VanBrunt,
Glendora, California, Box 325

Dear Sir;

In accordance with your request of the 11th instant I have returned to you by insured mail the small amount of gold forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase, using $12\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ of the 30¢ in postage enclosed with your letter for that purpose and returning $17\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ in stamps herewith to balance.

Regretting that I could not be of assistance to you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T
Enclosure

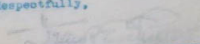
February 16, 1933

Mr. W. A. Zechmann,
1219 West 6th Street,
Sioux City, Iowa.

Dear Sir:

Regarding your small consignment under date of the 14th instant, you are advised that deposits of this character must have a value not less than \$100.00 and as your material falls very far below that amount, I would suggest that you forward the necessary postage and insurance for its return to you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Sheperd, Superintendent

CH:T

February 16, 1933

Mr. Jack Wheeler,
1017 East 13th Street,
Wichita, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

I have your consignment under date of the 13th instant, which appears to be inadequate both as to fineness and value for acceptance by the Mint - it being necessary for deposits of this character to contain enough pure gold to have a value of at least \$100.00, and that the pure gold, or pure gold and silver content shall equal at least one-fifth of the weight of the deposit.

The Mint could not sell you the necessary silver to increase the fineness of your material and it will therefore be necessary for you to send about \$60.00 or more in value to be added to this shipment, and at least one-fourth of the weight of your filled ware in high-grade silver.

Owing to the insufficiency of this deposit, I would suggest that you forward the necessary postage and insurance for its return to you.

Respectfully,

Frank M. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:7

February 16, 1933

Dr. E. R. Little,
Miami, Arizona.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your consignment under date of the 13th instant containing 85/100 of a troy ounce of placer gold and 2.13 troy ounces of dental gold, please be advised that placer gold is not accepted for purchase in lots having a weight under two full troy ounces of gold, nor dental gold having a value under \$100.

Under these conditions, the Mint could not accept your material for purchase and I would request that you forward the necessary postage and insurance for the return of your gold to you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

February 16, 1932

Mr. F. M. Pleasant,
Craig, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Referring to the small nugget forwarded with your letter of the 12th instant weighing upon receipt here 15/100 of a troy ounce, please be advised that virgin gold deposits must have a weight of at least two troy ounces in order to be accepted for purchase by the Mint. Under these conditions, I have to request that you will send me the necessary postage and insurance for the return of your nugget to you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CE:7

February 16, 1933

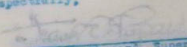
Mrs. Mary Mahon,
Trinidad, Colorado. B.F.D. No. 2

Dear Madam:

Referring to your consignment under date of the 13th instant, weighing upon receipt here 2.13 troy ounces, please be advised that deposits of old gold are not purchased by the Mint when the value is under \$100.00. I can not therefore accept your material and have to request that you will send me the necessary postage and insurance for the return of this gold to you.

Regretting that I cannot assist you, I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T

February 16, 1933

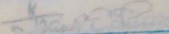
Mr. W. L. Seelbach,
2330 Roxboro Road,
Cleveland Heights, Ohio

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 13th instant, I would suggest that you write to the Treasurer of the United States, Washington, D.C., for such uncirculated coins as you desire, although no proof coins could be furnished you as they are no longer manufactured by the Mints.

I am enclosing a circular which will give you further information as to procedure.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T
Stamped envelope returned

February 16, 1933

Pauline Annis,
Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Dear Madam:

Replying to your letter of the 14th instant, I have to say that unless your gold rings and trinkets would contain enough gold to have a value of at least \$100.00, the Mint would not be able to purchase them - that being the minimum amount of such deposits accepted for purchase.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:2

February 16, 1933

Mr. Ed. Medina,
Torrero, New Mexico. Box 532

Dear Sir:

Referring to your deposit of the 14th instant, weighing upon receipt here 1.15 troy ounces, you are advised that a test of this material indicates that your nuggets are all brass and not gold and therefore unsuitable as a deposit at the Mint.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance your material will be returned to you and you are requested to forward same at your earliest convenience, otherwise it will be thrown away.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T

February 16, 1933

Mr. Herschel McKinnis,
Wallowa, Oregon.

Dear Sir:

In reference to your letter of the 13th instant, I have to advise that the Mint is not permitted to sell silver in any quantity nor manufacture any kind of token money for outside parties.

Perhaps the American Smelting & Refining Company, Equitable Building, or the American Metal Company, Continental Oil Building, both in this city, could supply your silver requirements, although the Mint does not recommend any outside dealers.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OE:T

February 16, 1933

Mr. Jim Reed,
Placerville, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Referring to the last paragraph of your letter transmitting a small deposit to the Mint for purchase, weighing upon receipt here 4.97 troy ounces, please be advised that under the regulations only one check may be issued in payment of a deposit, under which conditions it would not be possible for me to split the proceeds of your deposit and send one half to Wallace Champlinman and one half to you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:2

February 17, 1923

Dr. J. S. Safford,
504 Broadway,
Cary, Indiana.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 15th instant and in reply have to advise that the 32 pennyweights and 12 grains of fillings (or 1.63 troy ounces), mentioned in your letters of the 10th and 15th instant, were received but not brought to your attention in my letter to you of the 13th instant, as the weight claimed by you was found to be contained therein when received at this institution - the purpose of my letter being to apprise you of the discrepancy in the weight of your 22 and 18-karat gold bridges and scrap which weighed upon receipt here 4.27 troy ounces instead of 5.13 ounces, the latter being the weight you claim to have forwarded here, a difference of 86/100 of a troy ounce.

Your package was received intact and did not appear to have been tampered with. When received here it was opened in the presence of two employees who checked the weight of the material contained therein and there is no mistake whatever as to the weight of the above material as received from you and I have this morning verified this weight.

As stated in my letter of the 13th instant, your deposit does not appear to contain the minimum value accepted for purchase and it will be necessary for you to increase its value before it may be entered for treatment.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

February 17, 1933

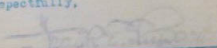
Mr. Ed. Kaspil.
3582 North 10th Street,
Milwaukee, Wisconsin;

Dear Sir:

Complying with your request under date of the 14th instant, I have this day returned to you by Railway Express Agency, Inc., charges collect, the material forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase which could not be accepted on account of insufficient value.

Regretting that I could not be of assistance to you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

February 17, 1923

Mr. G. W. Dewey,
C/o Dewey & Bondt,
16 East Milwaukee Street,
Janesville, Wisconsin.

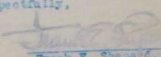
Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 15th instant, I am enclosing a circular which will give you the approximate number of ounces of gold of various karats which will equal \$100.00 in value, which will probably be of assistance to you in making up any consignments you may wish to forward to the Mint.

As you are no doubt aware, pure gold is 24 karats fine or has 1000 assay parts of gold out of a possible 1000. Thus 14 karats is $14/24$ or $7/12$ fine, equivalent to 583.33 thousandths assay parts out of a possible 1000.

By multiplying the weight of any article by its fineness on the foregoing basis, you will obtain its pure gold content and this result multiplied by \$20.67, the value of one ounce of pure gold, will give you the value of such articles.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T
Enclosure

February 17, 1933

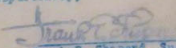
Mr. C. J. Marcellus,
1440 1/2 South Fairfax,
Los Angeles, California.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your note accompanying your consignment under date of the 14th instant in which you request, if possible, that the net value of the gold contained in the plate be furnished you, I have to advise that this could only be done when the value contained in the plate would equal that of a deposit. In other words, it would have to be melted and assayed separately going through the same routine as a regular deposit.

I have to state that your gold weighs 8.80 troy ounces and your filled 7.54, giving your deposit a total weight of 16.34 troy ounces.

Respectfully,


Frank S. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

February 17, 1923

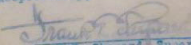
George Madin Company,
214 Empire Building,
Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Gentlemen:

Replying to your letter of the 15th instant relative to check received by you for your shipment No. 165, in amount \$347.50 and which you believe to be an under-payment, I have to advise that I have had your bar reassayed and find that no error has been made in regard to its fineness. This check assay corroborates our original assays which shows its fineness to be 518 $\frac{1}{2}$ thousandths. Under these circumstances there is no doubt but you were paid for the full value contained in your consignment and that no error has been made in connection therewith.

I am always glad to have depositors call my attention to any apparent errors and when they are found to exist to correct them.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

February 17, 1933

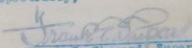
Mr. Elmer C. Hornath,
1127 Elgin Avenue,
Forest Park, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your request under date of the 15th instant for certain coins of this Mint, please be advised that applications for new coins should be addressed to the Treasurer of the United States, Washington, D.C., as per instructions in the enclosed circular.

In regard to your request for proof coins, I have to advise that such coins are no longer manufactured by the Mints.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T
Enclosure

February 17, 1933

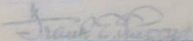
Mr. Theo. W. Curtis,
122 South Michigan Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 15th instant, I regret that I am unable to advise you where you may obtain 100 grains or a quarter of an ounce of pure gold - this institution not selling gold in lots having a value under \$5000.

When gold deposits are received having a pure gold content in excess of 5 troy ounces, after all charges are deducted, fine gold bars may be issued in payment if so desired by the depositor at a very small cost.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T

February 18, 1933

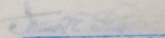
Mrs. B. T. Brantley,
515 North 14th Street,
Frederick, Oklahoma.

Dear Madam:

I am in receipt of your ring which weighs 21/100 of a troy ounce and regret to advise that the Mint can not purchase this from you as deposits of gold in the form of manufactured articles are not accepted when their value is under \$100.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance your ring will be returned you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

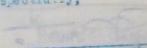
February 20, 1933

Mr. John W. Stein,
C/o Y. M. C. A.
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 17th instant, I have to advise that if you will enclose with your letter of advice covering shipments to the Mint the necessary postage to pay the charges for the forwarding of payments to you thereon by air mail special delivery, the Mint will gladly comply with your request.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T
Stamped envelope returned

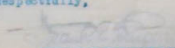
February 20, 1933

Mr. Edward B. Alexander,
57 Regent Avenue,
Lockport, New York.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 15th instant,
please be advised that applications for new coins must be
addressed to the Treasurer of the United States at Wash-
ington, D.C., as per instructions in the enclosed circu-
lar.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

Enclosure

February 20, 1933

Mrs. Ed. Hazard,
513 Ross Avenue,
Alamosa, Colorado.

Dear Madam:

Replying to your letter of the 19th instant, you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one fifth of the weight of the material.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat, but on the basis of the troy ounce, or fraction, paying at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for 100 ounces or fraction and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ to $\frac{3}{4}$ ¢ per ounce, according to the amount of base metal contained in the deposit.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,


Frank B. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

February 20, 1933

Mr. J. L. Northcutt,
4405 Washington Avenue,
Houston, Texas.

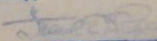
Dear Sir:

Replying to your inquiry of the 15th instant, you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one fifth of the weight of the material.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat, but on the basis of the troy ounce, or fraction, paying at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for 1000 ounces or fraction and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from $2\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ to $6\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ per ounce according to the amount of base metal contained in the deposit.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OU:T

February 20, 1923

Mr. James Howard,
Devine, Texas. Box 317

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 15th instant, please be advised that applications for uncirculated coins must be addressed to the Treasurer of the United States, Washington, D.C., as per instructions in the enclosed circular. Proof coins are no longer manufactured by the Mints.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T
Enclosure
Stamped envelope returned

February 20, 1933

Miss Anna Kiser,
401 East Third Street,
Anaconda, Montana.

Dear Madam:

Replying to your letter of the 17th instant, I regret to say that I can give you no information relative to the value of the certified check mentioned by you.

If this check was certified by a bank now in existence, it is probably worth its face value.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

February 20, 1933

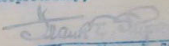
Mr. P. L. Boyle,
Mesa, Arizona. Box 432

Dear Sir:

Referring to your consignment under date of the 16th instant, consisting of one button weighing 1.96 troy ounces of low fineness, I have to advise that 2 full troy ounces of gold is the minimum accepted for purchase and it will be necessary for you to send at least one ounce of gold for addition to this material before it may be accepted for purchase.

Please advise me promptly.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

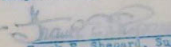
February 20, 1937

Mr. M. Kanner,
C/o Kanner Jewelry Company,
509 West Main Street,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

I have your postal card relative to the return to you of the piece of metal excluded from your recent deposit at this institution and have to advise that the charges for the necessary postage in returning this metal could not be deducted from the proceeds of your deposit - the regulations not permitting such action. It will therefore be necessary for you to send this postage to me.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

February 20, 1933

Frances Conley,
Clinton, Wisconsin. Box 207

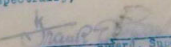
Dear Madam:

Replying to your letter of the 16th instant, you are advised that old gold having a value not under \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the weight of the material will be purchased by the Mint and payment made in gold coins for the gold contained therein, although these coins would not be made from the identical gold forwarded by you.

Payment in gold coins will be forwarded by express or registered mail at your expense and risk. If you do not desire payment in this manner, a check on the Treasurer of the United States will be issued you.

Kindly accompany any consignments you send forward here with a letter of advice, stating the method of payment desired.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Ward, Superintendent

CH:T

February 20, 1933

Mr. Alexander A. Avella,
742 Whittier Street,
Bronx, New York City.

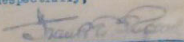
Dear Sir:

Referring to your consignment under date of the 15th instant consisting of 2 bars, 3 buttons and one piece of fused iron and gold, weighing upon receipt here, 3.02 troy ounces, I have to state that before this gold may be purchased by the Mint, it will be necessary for you to state if it consists of virgin gold, or if it has been obtained by melting manufactured articles.

Virgin gold is purchased in amounts as small as two full troy ounces of gold when depositors state the source from which the gold has been obtained, but gold obtained from manufactured articles must have a minimum value of \$100.00.

Please advise me promptly.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

February 20, 1933

Mr. S. A. Gunn,
Assistant Cashier,
Exchange National Bank,
Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your inquiry of the 15th instant, you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one fifth of the weight of the material.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat, but on the basis of the troy ounce, or fraction, paying at the rate of \$20.57 per troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for 1000 ounces or fraction, and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces or fraction, also a treatment charge which varies from 1¢ to 8½¢ per ounce, according to the amount of base metal contained in the deposit.

Regarding your request to be advised if currency may be issued in payment of a deposit, I have to answer in the affirmative and to say that either check on the Treasurer of the United States or currency, as the depositor may prefer, will be forwarded at the risk of the depositor, the latter usually sending registry postage when currency is desired.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OM:T

February 21, 1933

Mr. Meyer Rosenman,
501 West Houston Street,
San Antonio, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Referring to the postscript on your letter of the 16th instant requesting the return of one penny weight which you inadvertently included in your deposit, please be advised that same is herewith enclosed.

Respectfully,

Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T
Enclosure

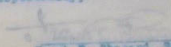
February 21, 1933

Mr. Harry Scher,
114 Main Street,
Little Rock, Arkansas.

Dear Sir:

I have your consignment under date of the 17th instant weighing 4.25 troy ounces and in view of the fact that deposits of this character must have a value of at least \$100.00 in order to be accepted for purchase, you are requested to supplement this shipment with enough good gold to give your deposit the required value. It usually requires at least 3 ounces of such material to contain this value.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

February 21, 1935

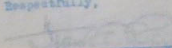
Mr. C. E. Ross,
1804 East Nevada Street,
El Paso, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your consignment of the 17th instant, consisting of 25.74 troy ounces of filled ware and silver, and 10.29 troy ounces of gold - a total weight of 37.03 troy ounces, I have to request that you will kindly advise me if this weight is satisfactory to you as your letter states that your consignment has a weight of about 35 ounces.

Kindly advise me promptly and oblige

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

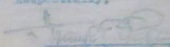
February 21, 1933

Mr. W. G. Streach,
District Director of Immigration,
Denver District,
Room 233 Post Office Building,
Denver, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

I am returning herewith the correspondence forwarded with your letter of the 16th instant and beg to express my appreciation of your courtesy in loaning me these letters, the subject matter of which has been and will be held absolutely confidential.

Respectfully,



Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T
Enclosure

February 21, 1933

Mr. Pat E. Burke,
Gillette, Wyoming.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your letter of the 16th instant,
I have returned to you by insured mail the jewelry scrap
forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase, using the 15¢ stamps
enclosed with your letter as follows:

Postage	.06
Insurance	.10

Regretting that I could not be of assistance to
you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

GE:7

February 21, 1933

Mrs. J. D. Sheridan,
Crockett, Texas.

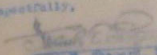
Dear Madam:

Replying to your letter of the 17th instant, you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00, and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the weight of the material.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat, but on the basis of the troy ounce, or fraction, paying at the rate of \$200.57 per each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for 1000 ounces or fraction, and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from $\frac{1}{16}$ to $\frac{5}{16}$ per ounce according to the amount of base metal contained in the deposit.

Each deposit must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

February 21, 1923

Mr. Ralph A. Potter,
General Delivery,
Tyler, Texas.

Dear Sir:

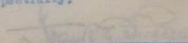
Referring to your note on the Mint memorandum of returns regarding the charges imposed on your deposit under date of the 7th instant, please be advised that these charges are made up of the following items:

For melting	\$1.00
For 25% content of white gold alloy ..	1.00
Parting and refining	5.20
Copper alloy	.01

While your consignment probably did not contain any white gold jewelry, the regulations require that when deposits contain such metals as nickel, which causes more difficulty in melting and assaying, an extra of \$1.00 shall be imposed.

The pure gold and silver content of your deposit was very low as you perhaps have noted, being only 349 parts of these metals, leaving 551 parts of base metal, which made it necessary to apply a 7% parting and refining charge. It is quite evident that both your gold scrap and silver contained a great deal of base metal and the only way you can avoid excessive treatment charges would be to have your deposits include a greater proportion of better gold and silver.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

February 21, 1933

Mr. E. B. Burgess,
P. O. Box No. 3,
Coffeyville, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

Answering your note of the 17th instant, please be advised that I know of no way by which you could strip the gold from your old filled and plated jewelry, nor from whom you could buy any equipment that would accomplish this end, it being necessary that such material be melted and refined in order to separate the gold from the other metals used in the manufacture of such articles.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

February 21, 1933

Mr. Charles E. McHone,
Seely, California.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your letter of the 15th instant, I have this day returned to you by insured mail the small amount of natural grains of gold forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase, using 13¢ of the 15¢ in stamps enclosed with your letter for that purpose and returning 2¢ in postage herewith to balance.

Regretting that I could not be of service to you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T
Enclosure

February 21, 1933

Alverdi Blanche Cramer,
228 East Ontario Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Madam:

Referring to your consignment under date of the 19th instant, I regret to say that Mint can not accept this small amount of gold which weighs but 79/100 of a troy ounce - deposits having a value of \$100.00 being the minimum accepted for purchase.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance your gold will be returned you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

February 21, 1933

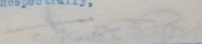
Mrs. Mary Mahon,
Trinidad, Colorado. R.F.D. No. 2

Dear Madam:

As requested in your letter of the 21st instant, I have this day turned over to the Schen-Allen Jewelry Company of this city the rings, lockets, etc., weighing 2.15 troy ounces, taking a receipt therefor, and requesting that returns be made direct to you.

I am returning herewith the 12¢ in stamps enclosed with your letter as these were not needed in this transaction.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

Enclosure

February 21, 1933

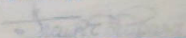
Mr. C. H. Schick,
Sterling, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your letter of the 20th instant,
the following platinum dealers are suggested for your in-
formation:

Baker & Company, Newark, New Jersey,
J. Bishop & Company, 22 Channing Avenue, Malvern, Pa.,
A. Daigger & Company, 159 Kinzie St., Chicago, Illinois.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

February 21, 1933

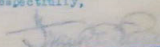
Mrs. Joseph Doris,
2234 South Dakota Street,
Butte, Montana.

Dear Madam:

Referring to your consignment under date of the 18th instant, I regret to say that the Mint can not accept this small amount of gold which weighs but 66/100 of a troy ounce - two full troy ounces of gold being the minimum amount accepted for purchase.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance your gold will be returned you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T

February 22, 1933

Mr. Charles J. Powers,
General Delivery,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your notation on Form 104b covering your shipment No. 18, under date of the 18th instant, I have to advise that our stock of the above form has become exhausted and it will therefore be impossible for me to send you any at this time.

You are also advised that the United States Mint at Philadelphia will purchase gold scrap under the same conditions obtaining at this institution.

Respectfully,


Frank K. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T

February 22, 1933

Mr. James H. Rance,
1326 South 9th East,
Salt Lake City, Utah.

My dear Mr. Rance:

I have your letter of the 20th instant and regret to say that the appropriation for the Mint Service is and has been so small that it has not been possible for me to make any addition to the force of this institution during the past two years and at the last session of Congress any increase except by transfer was prohibited.

I am sure your experience would make you a valuable addition to the Assaying Department of any of our Mint Service institutions, but at the present time we have no vacancies here nor could I make any appointment to fill them if they existed for the reasons above set forth.

I will gladly place your letter on file for future use in the event it may become possible to avail myself of your services but I regret that I have no encouragement to offer you at the present time.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

February 23, 1933

Elma Burkett,
P.O. Box 86,
Yoakum, Texas.

Dear Madam:

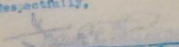
Replying to your letter of the 20th instant, you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$20.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one fifth of the weight of the material.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat but on the basis of the troy ounce, or fraction, paying at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for 1000 ounces, or fraction, and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from 2¢ to 6¢ according to the amount of base metal contained in the deposit.

When desired the gold content of the deposit is paid in gold coin but not coin made from the gold deposited, payment being made from the coin available which are forwarded by registered mail or by express at the expense of the depositor.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charge prepaid.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T
Stamped envelope returned

February 23, 1933

Mr. H. M. Williams, Assistant Cashier,
Boulder National Bank,
Boulder, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 21st instant forwarding 40/100 of a troy ounce of gold nuggets, please, be advised that two full troy ounces of gold is the minimum accepted by the Mine for purchase.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance your nuggets will be returned you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

February 23, 1933

Mr. H. M. White,
Clarendon, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 18th instant, you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the weight of the material.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat but on the basis of the troy ounce, or fraction, paying at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for 1000 ounces or fraction, and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ to $2\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ per ounce, according to the amount of base metal contained in the deposit.

Each deposit must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,

Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

UW:T

February 22, 1933

Mr. M. Kratchman,
105 Broadway,
Excelsior Springs, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 21st instant, you are advised that the Mint accepts deposit of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the weight of the material.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat but on the basis of the troy ounce, or fraction, paying at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver; less a melting charge of \$1.00 for 1000 ounces, or fraction, and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces, or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from 1¢ to 2¢ per ounce, according to the amount of base metal contained in the deposit.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,

Frank W. Shapard, Superintendent

February 23, 1933

Mr. D. G. Harley,
919 North El Paso Street,
El Paso, Texas.

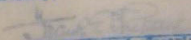
Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 18th instant, you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the weight of the material.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat but on the basis of the troy ounce, or fraction, paying at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for 1000 ounces, or fraction, and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces, or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ to $8\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ per ounce, according to the amount of base metal contained in the deposit.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CR:T

February 23, 1933

Mr. A. Crittenden,
607 North Oregon Street,
El Paso, Texas.

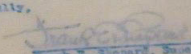
Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 20th instant, you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00, and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the weight of the material.

The mint does not buy gold by the karat but on the basis of the troy ounce, or fraction, paying at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for 1000 ounces, or fraction, and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces, or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from $\frac{1}{4}$ ¢ to $\frac{3}{4}$ ¢ per ounce, according to the amount of base metal contained in the deposit.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

February 23, 1933

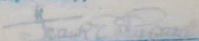
Mr. W. E. Mathews,
Catsman, Arizona.

Dear Sir:

Your consignment under date of the 18th instant, weighing upon receipt here 1.08 troy ounces, can not be purchase by the Mint as two full troy ounces of gold is the minimum amount accepted for purchase.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance, your gold will be returned you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OT:T

February 25, 1933
February 25, 1933

Mrs. J. T. Chisholm,
Riverfront Building,
President, Pueblo Real Estate Exchange,
Pueblo, Colorado.

Dear Sir: Replying to your letter of the 20th instant,
please be advised that the Mint does not sell silver in
any quantity, and while it is not the custom of the Mint
to recommend outside dealers, you may be able to obtain
such silver from the American Smelting &
Refining Company, Equitable Building, or the American
Metal Company, Continental Oil Building, both in this city.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OS:T

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February 23, 1933

Dr. J. S. Safford,
504 Broadway,
Gary, Indiana.

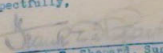
Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 20th instant and in reply can only say that when your package was received here the weight of the 18 and 22-karat gold bridges and scrap was 4.27 troy ounces, instead of 5.13 troy ounces, or 102 pennyweights and 12 grains as stated in your letter of advice. In addition to these bridges and scrap, your package contained 1.63 troy ounces of gold fillings, or 32 pennyweights and 12 grains as stated by you, concerning which there seems to be no question.

The purpose of my letter of the 13th instant was to advise you that the weight of your bridges and scrap as received here did not agree with your invoice, which is our custom when the weight of the deposit varies in any material degree from the weight stated in the letter of advice received from the depositor.

You must realize that the Mint can only credit and pay for the material it actually receives and if the weight of your material as received here as above stated is not satisfactory to you, perhaps it would be best to return it to you which will be done upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

DENVER February 24, 1933

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK
SAN ANTONIO TEXAS

ANSWERING YOUR TELEGRAM THIS DATE PARCEL POST CHARGES ON
AMOUNT STATED IF SHIPPED FROM MINT ONE HUNDRED SIXTY FIVE DOLLARS
APPLICATION SHOULD BE MADE THROUGH TREASURER UNITED STATES.


Superintendent Mint

Collect Charges at San Antonio

February 24, 1933

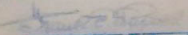
Mr. W. A. Zachmann,
1219 West 6th Street,
Sioux City, Iowa.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your letter of the 20th instant, I have this day returned to you by insured mail the jewelry scrap forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase, using 18¢ of the 27¢ in postage enclosed with your letter for that purpose and returning herewith 9¢ in stamps to balance.

Referring to the second paragraph of your letter, you are advised that the value of this material has not been ascertained, since to do so the material would have to be melted and assayed and to do this it would have to have the status of a deposit, namely, a value of \$100. It is believed your gold has very little value.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T
Enclosure

February 24, 1933

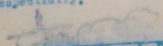
Mr. L. J. Chandler,
McAllen, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 21st instant, I have to advise that I have no information concerning the metal to which you refer and therefore can not state what acid could be used to test it. C.P. Nitric acid would not afford you any guide as to the number of karats of gold contained in alloyed gold articles. If the gold content is low and they contain much copper, this acid will dissolve the copper and will give a very greenish appearance.

Before purchasing ~~any~~ alleged gold bullion, I would suggest that you have gold assays made thereof by a reliable assayer to determine beyond any doubt that the metal you are purchasing is really gold, as copper and brass have the appearance of gold to those who are not sufficiently expert to detect the difference.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

OR:T

February 24, 1933

Rushor Jewelry Company,
202 West Main Street,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Gentlemen:

As requested in your letter of the 22nd instant,
I have this day returned to you by insured parcel post the
piece of metal excluded from your recent consignment at
this institution, using 15¢ of the 20¢ in coins enclosed
with your letter for that purpose and returning herewith a
5¢ stamp to balance.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T
Enclosure

February 24, 1933

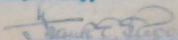
Mr. F. M. Pleasant,
Craig, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your letter of the 20th instant I have returned to you by insured mail the small nugget forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase, using 11¢ of the 2¢ in postage enclosed with your letter for that purpose and returning herewith 18¢ in stamps to balance.

Regretting that I could not be of assistance to you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,


Frank M. Shepard, Superintendent

CR:T
Enclosure

February 24, 1933

Mr. David B. Gill,
Caldwell, Idaho.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your consignment under date of the 21st instant weighing 26.77 troy ounces, I have to advise that it is very doubtful if this material will contain the required minimum value of \$100.00 and have one-fifth of its weight in pure gold - it being necessary that these requirements be fulfilled in all shipments to the Mint for purchase.

I would suggest that you forward gold having a value of not less than \$50.00 and about 10 ounces of high grade silver to be added to this shipment in order to render it acceptable for purchase. If this is not convenient to you, your material will be returned you upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T

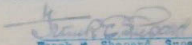
February 24, 1933

Mr. I. S. Gilpin,
1621 West 2nd Street,
Sioux City, Iowa.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 21st instant and in reply you are advised that while the Mint is not collecting old gold nor assigning any territory to those who are accumulating such material, it accepts deposits of old gold when forwarded in lots having a value of not less than \$100.00 and a precious metal content equal to not less than one-fifth of the weight of such deposits - each consignment to be accompanied by a letter of advice.

Respectfully,


Frank M. Shepard, Superintendent

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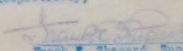
February 24, 1928

Mr. O. P. Robinett,
Lowell, Idaho.

Dear Sir:

I have received the postage which you attached to my letter to you under date of the 9th instant for the return of the small consignment of gold received from you in August, 1926, and have to request that you forward me a letter bearing your signature in order that I may be assured that I am returning this gold to the party who forwarded it to the Mint. Kindly give this matter your prompt attention and oblige

Respectfully,



Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

February 26, 1923

Mr. Price Boardman,
Great Bend, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 23rd instant, please be advised that the Mint does not sell silver in any quantity and while it is not the policy of the Mint to recommend outside dealers, you no doubt could make such purchases of silver as you desire from the American Smelting & Refining Company, Equitable Building, or the American Metal Company, Continental Oil Building, both in this city.

Your stamp and envelope are returned herewith.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T
Enclosure

February 25, 1933

Mr. Ross Mortenson,
22 North 6th West,
Provo, Utah.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 22nd instant, I
regret to say that I am unable to forward you ~~any pamphlets~~
or pictures relative to the history and use of silver - the
Mint not having literature on any subject for distribution.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OR:T

February 25, 1933

Mr. Frederick Barnhart,
412 1/2 Fourth Street,
St. Louis City, Mo.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your note of the 23rd instant, I have to advise that the financial page of most newspapers carry the New York market quotation for pure silver - the price yesterday being 26-5/8 cents per fine ounce, on which basis all other grades are figured, coin silver being 200 fine.

At the present time the Mint purchases silver only when forwarded with an appreciable gold content.

Trusting this is the information you desire,

I am

Respectfully,

Frank A. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:7

February 25, 1935

Martha Keltner,
1621 Edison Avenue,
Kansas City, Kansas.

Dear Madam:

Replying to your letter of recent date, you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold for purchase, which have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the weight of the material.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat but on the basis of the Troy ounce, or fraction, paying at the rate of \$20.67 for each Troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for 1000 ounces, or fraction, and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces, or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from $\frac{1}{16}$ to $\frac{1}{8}$ per ounce according to the amount of base metal contained in the deposit.

Each assignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

February 25, 1933

Mr. Ed. Bunde,
Hickerson, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 23rd instant, you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the weight of the deposit.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat but on the basis of the troy ounce, or fraction, paying at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for 1000 ounces, or fraction, and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces, or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from $\frac{1}{4}$ ¢ to $\frac{3}{4}$ ¢ per ounce according to the amount of base metal contained in the material.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,

Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

February 25, 1933

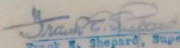
Mr. M. C. Bull,
3500 Henrietta Street,
St. Louis, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your consignment under date of the 20th instant which you forwarded here at a value of \$145.00, I have to advise that after melting and assaying your bar its actual value has been found to be considerably below \$100.00 and its precious metal content also falls below the minimum accepted and your bar has therefore been rejected and our melting charge of \$1.00 imposed thereon which you are requested to forward to me by money order at your earliest convenience.

To render your deposit acceptable for purchase, it will be necessary for you to send additional gold having a value of at least \$30.00 and 20 ounces of high-grade silver to raise the precious metal content of your deposit within the limits prescribed by the Mint. Before this additional metal may be added to your deposit, however, the above charges must be paid.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

OWT

February 25, 1933

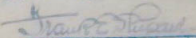
Mr. H. Minney,
North Manchester, Indiana.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 23rd instant, I have to advise that old gold is not purchased by the Mint when the value is below \$100.00 and unless your solid gold chain will have that value, the Mint could not purchase it from you.

Your stamped envelope is returned herewith.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T
Enclosure

February 25, 1935

Mr. Louis Junod,
223 South Main Street,
Wichita, Kansas.

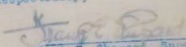
Dear Sir:

Referring to your consignment under date of the 23rd instant, I have to advise that while the weights given by you of your coin silver, gold teeth and gold scrap are practically correct, your item of 32 ounces of gold-filled watch cases, etc., weighs upon receipt here 28.49 troy ounces - your deposit having a total weight of 37.83 troy ounces.

I also have to advise that it appears the total value of your consignment may fall short of the minimum accepted, namely, \$100.00, and in order that it may have that value, I would suggest that you send a little more good gold to be added to your material, as well as from 5 to 10 ounces of sterling silver to offset the base metal which your watch cases will contain - the Mint not accepting deposits when the pure gold, or pure gold and silver content is less than one fifth of the weight of the deposit.

When forwarding this additional material as above requested, please advise if the weight of your gold-filled watch cases as received here is satisfactory to you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CR:F

February 25, 1933

Mr. John C. Meek,
P.O. Box 66,
Altus, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

While the Mint does not make analyses of mineral bearing specimens, the piece of granite forwarded by you does not appear to contain any value in the precious metals - the bright particles, which you probably thought might be gold consisting of mica.

Please advise me promptly if you desire the return of these specimens and if so, inclose the necessary postage for that purpose.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:7

February 27, 1933

Mr. H. R. Daniels,
Douglas, Wyoming.

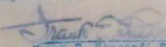
Dear Sir:

Replying to your postal card of recent date, you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the weight of the deposit.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat but on the basis of the troy ounce, or fraction, paying at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for 1000 ounces, or fraction, and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces, or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ to $\frac{3}{4}$ ¢ per ounce according to the amount of base metal contained in the material.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CHT

February 27, 1933

Mr. Bennett E. Broadus,
Perkinston, Mississippi.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 22nd instant, you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the weight of the deposit.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat but on the basis of the troy ounce, or fraction, paying at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for 1000 ounces, or fraction, and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces, or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from $\frac{1}{4}$ ¢ to $8\frac{1}{4}$ ¢ per ounce according to the amount of base metal contained in the material. The Mint does not furnish scales.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

February 27, 1933

Mr. Andrew C. Schaedler,
Steelton, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am returning herewith the two dollars in currency enclosed with your letter of the 24th instant and have to advise that all applications for new coins must be addressed to the Treasurer of the United States, Washington, D.C., as per instructions contained in the enclosed circular.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T
Enclosures

February 27, 1933

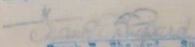
Mr. W. F. Brookmeyer,
c/o Yarrabee, Hackney Road,
Hackney, South Australia.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 23rd ultimo, I am enclosing a circular giving full instructions relative to the receipt of deposits at the United States Mint at Denver which applies to all the Mints of the United States. I believe this circular will give you all the necessary information, but if any further information is desired, it will be gladly furnished you.

I am returning the circular enclosed with your letter relative to the transmission of gold to the Royal Mint at Melbourne.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T
Enclosure

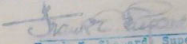
February 27, 1933

Mr. E. E. Bessler,
Ward Two,
Wipple, Arizona.

Dear Sir:

Answering your inquiry of the 23rd instant, I have to advise that so far as I know there is no tariff on shipments on gold coming in or going out of the United States, but as this is a matter under the jurisdiction of the United States Internal Revenue Service, I would suggest that you write to the nearest United States Custom Office in your vicinity.

Respectfully,


Frank S. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T

February 27, 1933

Mrs. Andy Thomas,
316 1/2 North Independence,
Enid, Oklahoma.

Dear Madam:

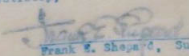
Replying to your letter of the 26th instant, you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the weight of the material.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat but on the basis of the troy ounce, or fraction, paying at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for 1000 ounces, or fraction, and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces, or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from 1¢ to 8¢ per ounce according to the amount of base metal contained in the material.

As all the articles composing a deposit are consolidated into one bar, the refining charges applying on the deposit would be based upon the amount of base metal contained in the bar.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T

February 27, 1923

Mr. James W. Brown,
65 South Orange Grove,
Pasadena, California.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 22nd instant regarding list of valuable old coins, please be advised that the Mint does not deal in old coins in any manner and I therefore have no information nor any literature on this subject.

Regretting that I can not be of assistance to you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

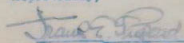
February 27, 1933

Mr. R. V. Bardon,
109 South Main Street,
Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your consignment under date of the 22nd instant, please be advised that upon receipt here this material weighs 88.15 troy ounces instead of approximately 95 ounces as stated in your letter of advice. As this is a considerable difference in weight, I would appreciate your advising me promptly if the weight of your material as received here meets with your approval.

Respectfully,



Frank M. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T

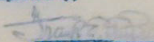
February 27, 1933

Mr. C. Whittenburg
McAllen, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Referring to my telegram to you under date of the 15th instant advising that the 35 bars of metal forwarded by you to this institution were of no value and were not acceptable as a deposit at the Mint and your reply thereto requesting that these bars be held as you would be in Denver the following week, I have to advise that our vault space is very limited and you are requested to write me promptly as to what disposition you desire made of these bars.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

February 27, 1933

Mrs. Ferdinand Kieffer,
Rapid City, South Dakota.

Dear Madam:

Keystone Route

Answering your note of the 25th instant, you are advised that the Mint will purchase placer gold when the deposit contains a minimum weight of two full troy ounces of gold, for which the Mint pays \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold contained therein, less a melting charge of \$1.00 and a small treatment charge which is based on the amount of base metal contained in the deposit.

Each deposit must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T
Stamped envelope returned

February 27, 1933

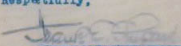
Mr. C. G. Texley,
311 West Third Street,
Grand Island, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 24th instant and accompanying specimen which upon examination appears to be Pyrite or Iron Sulphide. Although the Mint has not made an analysis of this specimen - such work not being done at this institution - this material has no value in the precious metals or other commercial value.

If you desire the return of your specimen, please advise me promptly and forward the necessary postage and insurance for that purpose, otherwise it will be thrown away.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T
Stamped envelope returned

February 27, 1933

Mr. E. M. Jackson,
P.O. Box 1181,
Benson, Arizona.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 23rd instant in which you state you are forwarding approximately 8 ounces of gold bullion, and have to advise that this material upon receipt here weighs 6.09 troy ounces. As this is a considerable difference in weight, I have to request that you will advise me promptly if the weight as received here is satisfactory to you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

February 26, 1933

Mrs. J. Doris,
2234 South Dakota Street,
Butte, Montana.

Dear Madam:

As requested in your letter of the 24th instant, I have returned to you by insured mail the small amount of gold forwarded by you to this institution for purchase, using 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ of the 24¢ in postage enclosed with your letter for that purpose and returning herewith 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ cents in stamps to balance.

Regretting that I could not be of service to you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T
Enclosure

February 26, 1933

Alverdi Blanche Cramer,
228 East Ontario Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Madam:

As requested in your note of the 23rd instant,
I have returned to you via Railway Express Agency, charges
collect, the small amount of gold forwarded by you to this
Mint for purchase.

Regretting that I could not be of service to
you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

February 28, 1923

Dr. E. R. Little,
Miami, Arizona.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your letter of the 23rd instant, I have returned to you by insured mail the small amount of placer and dental gold forwarded by you to this institution for purchase, using $19\frac{1}{2}\%$ of the 25% in postage enclosed with your letter for that purpose and returning herewith $5\frac{1}{2}\%$ in stamps to balance.

Regretting that I could not be of service to you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T
Enclosure

February 26, 1933

Mr. Clarence A. Graham,
Hemingford, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 27th instant, you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the weight of the deposit.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat, but on the basis of the troy ounce, or fraction, paying at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for 1000 ounces, or fraction, and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces, or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ to $8\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ per ounce, according to the amount of base metal contained in the material. It usually requires from three to five days to make payment for deposits.

Each assignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CR:T

Stamped envelope returned

February 28, 1933

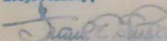
The Golden Cycle Corporation,
Attention: Mr. F.W. Charlson, Chief Clerk,
Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Gentlemen:

I have your letter of the 27th instant in which you request that your bullion shipments to the Mint be left on deposit and payment made on such future dates as you may request, and have to advise that when bullion shipments are received they are entered into our accounts on the day of receipt and their value reported to the Treasurer of the United States the day their value is determined. Under which conditions it would be a violation of the regulations to defer payment beyond the date of the determination of value until such time as the depositor may desire.

I desire to be of assistance to you in this matter as far as conditions would permit and would suggest that when your shipments are received our present advance be discontinued and check drawn on the Treasurer of the United States be issued you in payment. This check would be issued in your name within three to five days after receipt of your bullion and mailed you at Colorado Springs and could be held by you until such time as you may desire to present same for payment. If you desire this done, please write me a letter of instructions to discontinue advance payment on your deposits and request that liquidation be made by check to your order. It is understood, of course, that these checks would not be held by you for any unreasonable length of time.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

February 27, 1933

Mr. E. L. McComas,
General Delivery,
Joplin, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Answering your postal card of recent date, you are advised that while deposits are usually paid for within three days after their receipt, making due allowance for holidays, owing to the large number of deposits now being received it occasionally requires from three to five days to forward the proceeds thereon. Every effort is made to expedite payment of deposits and there are no unnecessary delays in connection therewith.

Respectfully,

Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

February 26, 1935

Mr. Gordon Hedblake,
1111 - 15th Street,
Central City, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 26th instant, you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the weight of the material. Shipments may be made by insured or registered mail, or by prepaid express, as preferred.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat, but on the basis of the troy ounce, or fraction, paying at the rate of \$20.00 for each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for 1000 ounces, or fraction, and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces, or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ to $8\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ per ounce, according to the amount of base metal contained in the material.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,

Frank S. Shepard, Superintendent

February 28, 1933

Mr. L. A. Stacey,
33 East Birch Street,
Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 25th instant, you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the weight of the deposit.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat but on the basis of the troy ounce, or fraction, paying at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for 1000 ounces, or fraction, and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces, or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from $\frac{1}{16}$ ¢ to $\frac{3}{16}$ ¢ per ounce, according to the amount of base metal contained in the material. A bar is an oblong piece of metal and a king is a cone shaped piece.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,

Frank M. Shepard, Superintendent

February 28, 1933

Mr. J. E. Martin,
138 West Manhattan,
Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your recent consignment at this institution, I have to advise that six pieces of iron scale partially coated with small amount of gold were withheld from the material composing this deposit, as the large amount of iron contained therein would have increased the base metal content of your material above the minimum that deposits may contain in order to be acceptable for purchase.

Please forward the necessary postage and insurance for the return of these pieces of iron to you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

February 28, 1933

Messrs. M. & M. Rosenman,
739 West Commerce Street,
San Antonio, Texas.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your consignment under date of the 25th instant, weighing upon receipt here 39.55 troy ounces and consisting of one bar of industrial scrap, you are advised that no deposits are entered on our books for treatment unless accompanied by a letter of advice from the depositor, and I therefore have to request that you write me promptly in regard to this shipment, no advice having been received from you to date.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

February 28, 1933

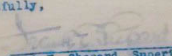
Mr. Phil Judd,
327 South Arizona Street,
Butte, Montana.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your consignment under date of the 25th instant, consisting of retort, grains and industrial scrap having a weight upon receipt here of 15.74 troy ounces, please be advised that no letter of advice pertaining to same has to date been received from you, although notation on paper enclosed in package states "Letter follows".

As no deposits are entered on our books for treatment and payment until a letter of advice has been received from the depositor, I have to request that you will write me promptly regarding this shipment.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

February 26, 1933

Mr. Sam Padilla,
Golden, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your consignment of retort and grains, weighing upon receipt here 3.47 troy ounces, and have to advise that same is being held without treatment pending the receipt from you of a letter of advice pertaining thereto - no deposits being entered for treatment until a letter concerning same has been received from the depositor. Your prompt attention will be appreciated.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

February 28, 1933

Greenlee Placer Company,
Morenci, Arizona.

Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of your consignment of retorts and amalgam, unaccompanied by a letter of advice, and have to advise that as this material weighs but 1.93 troy ounces it can not be accepted for purchase - 2 full troy ounces of gold being the very least amount accepted for purchase.

If you can send enough more of similar material to give your deposit the required weight of two troy ounces, I shall be glad to have you do so, but if this is not convenient, please forward the necessary postage and insurance for the return of your consignment to you. Should you forward the additional gold, be sure to accompany same with a letter of advice.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

February 28, 1933

Mr. C. E. Henson,
Hot Springs, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your consignment of natural grains, unaccompanied by a letter of advice, weighing upon receipt here 1.45 of a troy ounce, and have to advise that deposits of this character are not accepted by the Mint having a weight under two full troy ounces of gold.

If you are unable to send enough more of similar material to give your deposit the required weight, please send me the necessary postage and insurance for its return to you. Your prompt attention will be appreciated.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

February 28, 1933

Mr. H. C. Moore,
Pinos Altos, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your consignment of amalgam and natural grains, weighing upon receipt here 4.52 troy ounces, and have to advise that no deposits are entered on our books for treatment until a letter of advice pertaining to same has been received from the depositor. You are therefore requested to write me promptly concerning this shipment.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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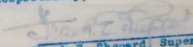
February 28, 1933

Mr. William A. Fillres,
Creede, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a package from you, unaccompanied by a letter of advice, containing 77/100 of a troy ounce of what appears upon examination to be brass granulations, and as this material is not acceptable as a deposit at the Mint, please send me the necessary postage and insurance for its return to you. Kindly give this your prompt attention.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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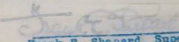
February 28, 1933

Mr. S. A. Morales,
Clifton, Arizona.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge the receipt of your consignment of natural grains, weighing upon receipt here 2.11 troy ounces, and you are advised that same is being held without treatment pending the receipt from you of a letter of advice pertaining thereto. Please let me hear from you promptly.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

February 28, 1933

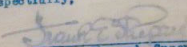
Mr. F. W. Pollman,
La Cygne, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 26th instant, I have to advise that your consignment, weighing 22.53 troy ounces, was duly received here on the 20th instant, but until the receipt of the above letter no advice covering same had been received by me. As you have been advised, it is contrary to the regulations to enter any deposits for treatment unless accompanied by a letter of advice and you are therefore requested to mail such a letter promptly when making your shipments to the Mint.

Your deposit has now been entered for treatment and payment will be forwarded promptly.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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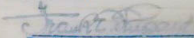
February 28, 1933

Mountain States Telephone & Telegraph Company,
Denver, Colorado.

Gentlemen:

This will acknowledge the receipt of your cash remittances in amounts 91¢ and 24¢, for commission on collections from telephone booths Ma-9972 and Ke-9725, for the period January 19, 1933, to February 15, 1933.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

March 1, 1935

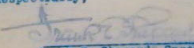
Mrs. Janett Wheatley,
Searchlight, Nevada.

Dear Madam:

I am in receipt of a consignment from you weighing 2.03 troy ounces consisting of wet amalgam and have to advise that the Mint does not accept deposits of this character - it being necessary that the mercury be driven off before the material is forwarded to the Mint for treatment. It is also necessary that such small consignments contain at least two troy ounces of gold and be accompanied by a letter of advice - no deposits being entered for treatment unless such a letter is received.

Kindly forward me the necessary postage and insurance for the return of this amalgam to you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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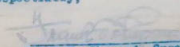
March 1, 1933

Mr. W. C. Dunlap,
Fort Sumner, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

Answering your inquiry of the 27th ultimo,
please be advised that so far as I am aware there are
no instruments or other contrivances that would enable
you to locate gold or silver money which may have been
buried.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

March 1, 1933

Mr. H. J. Diamond,
218 McGowen Avenue,
Houston, Texas.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 25th ultimo and regret that I am unable to supply you with the names and addresses of any firms from which you could purchase silver bullion in less than five thousand ounces. Purchases of that amount, or in excess thereof, probably could be made from the American Smelting & Refining Company, Equitable Building, or the American Metal Company, Continental Oil Building, both in this city.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

March 1, 1933

Mr. H. H. Black,
Bethany, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your inquiry of the 27th ultimo, you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the weight of the deposit.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat but on the basis of the troy ounce, or fraction, paying at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for 1000 ounces, or fraction, and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces, or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ to $2\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ per ounce, according to the amount of base metal contained in the material.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

March 1, 1933

Dr. J. S. Safford,
504 Broadway,
Gary, Indiana.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your note of the 27th ultimo, I have returned you this day by insured parcel post your consignment received at this institution on February 13th, consisting of 4.27 troy ounces of 18 and 22-karat gold bridges and scrap and 1.63 troy ounces of gold filings, etc., the postage on which amounted to 36¢ which amount was enclosed with your letter.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

GH:T

March 2, 1933

Mr. J. A. Shaw, Sr.,
Rimersburg, Clarion County,
Pennsylvania. Box 186

Dear Sir:

Answering your inquiry of the 27th ultimo, I have to advise that no half dollars coined by the Mint of the United States bear the date of 1903 transposed to read 1309, and any coins bearing the latter date are either counterfeit or some one has changed the figures to read accordingly.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

March 2, 1933

Mr. J. F. Underwood,
Secretary, Golden Cycle Corporation,
Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Dear Mr. Underwood:

Replying to your letter of the 28th ultimo, please be advised that the Mint is not permitted to sell silver bullion in any quantity, nor do I know of any firms from which your friend could purchase silver in lots of less than five thousand ounces, which I understand is the minimum amount sold by the American Smelting & Refining Company and the American Metal Company, both of which have offices in this city.

It is possible that Carl Blarrock, Mack Building, this city, might be able to supply your friend with sheet silver or suggest some source from which it could be purchased.

Regretting that I am unable to be of assistance to you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

March 2, 1933

Mr. L. G. Carlton,
President, Golden Cycle Corporation,
Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Dear Mr. Carlton:

I have your letter of the 1st instant and in reply regret to say that as indicated in my letter of yesterday to Mr. Charlson, it would not be permissible for me to store any bullion in the Mint which has not been entered in our books as a deposit and taken into our accounts as such when payment could be made in gold coin for the gold content and check for the silver value, or one check for the entire value of the deposit.

I would be very glad to render you any assistance in this matter which would be consistent with the regulations of the Mint but I see no way in which I could store this bullion for you until you desire to enter it as a deposit and receive payment in the regular manner.

As suggested by you, it is possible that the Federal Reserve Bank, or one of the large banks in this city, would store your bullion until such time as you may desire to have it deposited at the Mint for purchase, but this arrangement would have to be made by you with one of the foregoing banks.

Assuring you of my willingness to cooperate with you in any feasible way, I am

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

March 2, 1933

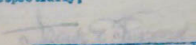
Mr. E. E. Russell,
Lewiston, Maine,
30 Montello Street,

Dear Sir:

Replying to your inquiry of the 27th ultimo,
please be advised that applications for new or uncircu-
lated coins of all the Mints must be addressed to the
Treasurer of the United States at Washington, D.C. as
per the enclosed circular.

Your 3-cent stamp is returned herewith.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T
Enclosure

March 2, 1933

Mr. Jack Wheeler,
1017 East 15th Street,
Wichita, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 26th ultimo relative to your deposit at this institution, please be advised that while it is not customary to hold consignments which are incomplete, I will hold this bullion for you for two weeks, during which time you are requested to forward the additional gold requested in my letter to you of the 16th ultimo.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OR:F

March 2, 1933

Mr. E. J. Jenkins,
2240 Sixth Avenue,
Fort Worth, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your inquiry of the 28th ultimo, you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the weight of the deposit. It is not necessary to melt your material into a bar before forwarding it to the Mint.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat but on the basis of the troy ounce, paying at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less \$1.00 for melting up to 1000 ounces, or fraction, and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces, or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from $\frac{1}{4}$ ¢ to $\frac{3}{4}$ ¢ per ounce, according to the amount of base metal contained in the material.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

March 2, 1933

Mr. E. E. Padden,
Hillside, Arizona.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter and deposit under date of the 27th ultimo, the latter weighing upon receipt here 1.72 troy ounces, and regret to say that this bullion is not of sufficient weight to be purchased by the Mint - the very minimum being two full troy ounces of gold.

If you are unable to make up the deficiency by sending some additional gold, I would suggest that you forward the necessary postage and insurance for the return of this retort to you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

March 2, 1933

Mr. E. L. Smith,
116 East Fifth Street,
Amarillo, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your inquiry of the 28th ultimo, you are advised that the Mint will accept deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the weight of the material.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat but on the basis of the troy ounce, paying at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for 1000 ounces, or fraction, and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces, or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ to $\frac{8}{10}$ ¢ per ounce, according to the amount of base metal contained in the material. Payment is usually made within three to five days after the receipt of the deposit.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

March 2, 1933

Mr. A. H. Clark,
C/o Clark Tool & Material Company,
1211 Federal Reserve Bank Building,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your inquiry of the 28th ultimo, you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the weight of the deposit. High-grade silver is purchased when accompanied with an appreciable amount of gold.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat but on the basis of the troy ounce, or fraction, paying at the rate of \$20.27 for each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for 1000 ounces, or fraction, and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces, or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from $\frac{1}{8}$ ¢ to $\frac{3}{8}$ ¢ per ounce, according to the amount of base metal contained in the material.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

Letter

MARCH 3, 1933

DENVER

GEORGE KADIN COMPANY
314 Empire Building,
MILWAUKEE WISCONSIN

REFERRING YOUR TELEGRAM THIS DATE CANNOT POSSIBLY BE
IN PAYMENT OF DEPOSITS BY SPECIAL DELIVERY AIR MAIL AND DEDUCT NECESSARY
CHARGES FROM AMOUNT DUE YOU BUT CAN SEND CURRENCY REGISTERED SPECIAL DE-
LIVERY AIR MAIL AND DEDUCT CHARGES OR BY EXPRESS CHARGES COLLECT. ADVISE FULLY
YOUR WISHES.

James E. S. [Signature]
Superintendent Mint

~~1933 - Government rate~~

~~Minneapolis, Denver~~

Collect charges at Milwaukee

March 3, 1933

Southwest Smelting & Refining Company,
108 East Tenth Street,
Fort Worth Texas.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your telephonic request early this morning to remit payment for your deposit of the 25th instant in cash by registered mail, I have to request that you will write me a letter confirming this request at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

March 3, 1933

Mr. Arthur Dahlar,
Alcester, South Dakota. Route 4

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter and consignment under date of the 1st instant, the latter consisting of six lots weighing upon receipt here, respectively,

Lot No. 1 -	28.20	troy ounces
Lot No. 2 -	28.40	" "
Lot No. 3 -	2.59	" "
Lot No. 4 -	5.93	" "
Lot No. 5 -	1.23	" "
Lot No. 6 -	4.66	" "

I have to advise that owing to the large amount of base metal contained in Lots Nos 1 and 2, it will be necessary for you to send not less than 15 ounces of sterling silver to render all of these lots acceptable as a combined deposit.

By eliminating Lots 1 and 2, Lots 3, 4, 5 and 6 can be entered as a deposit under a weight of 14.41 troy ounces, and Lots 1 and 2 returned you upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance.

In this connection, I have to request that all iron, dirt and other foreign substances be removed from your consignments before they are forwarded to the Mint for treatment.

Please advise me promptly if the above weights are satisfactory to you and if I shall proceed to treat Lots 3, 4, 5 and 6 as above stated. In the meantime I am withholding treatment pending the receipt of this information.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

March 3, 1933

Mr. F. L. Boyle,
Mesa, Arizona, Box 432

Dear Sir:

In order to comply with the request noted by you on my letter to you under date of the 20th instant to return your button of gold, it will be necessary for you to forward me the necessary postage and insurance for that purpose - the Mint not having any fund out of which such charges can be paid.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

March 3, 1933

Mr. R. J. Roberts,
C/o General Delivery,
Lockhart, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your inquiry of the 1st instant, you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the weight of the deposit.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat but on the basis of the troy ounce, paying at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for 1000 ounces, or fraction, and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces, or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ to $8\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ per ounce, according to the amount of base metal contained in the material. Payment is usually made within three to five days after the receipt of the deposit.

Each shipment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

March 4, 1933

Mr. William T. S. Hughes,
Canon City, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 2nd instant, I have to advise that deposits of old gold must have a minimum value of \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content equal to at least one-fifth of the weight of the material.

While it would be impossible for the Mint to state in advance of melting and assaying consignments that they contained the above requirements, if you desire you may forward your gold here and as nearly as possible its value and fineness will be appraised but the Mint can not be responsible if your material is thought to be acceptable and after melting and assaying it is found unacceptable, in which case, of course, the Mint would have to impose its charges and reject your deposit.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

March 6, 1933

Mr. F. H. Hutchison,
Ames, Iowa.

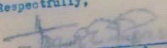
Dear Sir:

Replying to your inquiry of the 2nd instant, you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the weight of the deposit.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat but on the basis of the troy ounce, paying at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and the New York market price for silver, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for melting up to 1000 ounces, and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces, or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ to $\frac{3}{4}$ ¢ per ounce according to the amount of base metal contained in the material.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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March 6, 1933

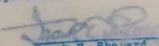
Mr. Hyman Wilansky,
2045 West Division Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your consignment under date of the 27th instant, weighing 477.64 troy ounces, you are advised that after melting and assaying this material its pure gold and pure silver content has been found to be considerably under the minimum deposits must contain in order to be acceptable for purchase. Your deposit has accordingly been rejected and \$1.00 melting charge imposed thereon which you are requested to forward me by money order at your earliest convenience.

If you desire to reenter this material as a deposit at the Mint, it will be necessary for you to forward at least 25 ounces of sterling silver to offset the large amount of base metal which your material contains, but before it may be reentered as a deposit, the melting charges above referred must be received by me.

Respectfully.


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

March 6, 1933

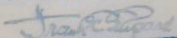
Dr. Irving Pitsley,
2843 East 6th Street,
Brooklyn, New York.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your inquiry of the 1st instant, please be advised that our stock of one-cent bronze pieces of the coinage of 1922 has long since been exhausted and I am therefore unable to comply with your request.

Regretting that I am unable to be of assistance to you in this matter.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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DENVER

MARCH 6, 1933

KRAUSE GOLD REFINERY
KANSAS CITY MISSOURI

CAN RETURN CURRENCY LARGE DENOMINATIONS YOUR SHIPMENT
GOLD. ADVISE IF BY EXPRESS OR REGISTERED MAIL.



Superintendent Mint

Collect Charges at Kansas City

DENVER MARCH 6, 1933

SOUTHWEST SMELTING & REFINING COMPANY
FORT WORTH TEXAS

DEPOSITS BEING RECEIVED AND PAID FOR IN USUAL MANNER.



Superintendent Mint

Collect Charges at Fort Worth.

March 4, 1933

Mr. Charles M. Harrington,
Harrington Building,
Kirkville, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 25th ultimo regarding charges imposed on your deposit No. 2671 under date of November 9, 1932, I have to advise that the total precious metal content of your deposit, that is gold and silver, amounted to 236 $\frac{1}{2}$ assay parts out of a possible 1000 (the very minimum accepted being 200 assay parts out of a possible 1000), the remainder being base metal, and in order to obtain concordant assays and to put your deposit in suitable condition for coinage, in addition to the regular hours required on deposits, it was necessary to work our melters four hours additional time, resulting in the following charges being imposed on your consignment:

Melting	\$ 1.00
25% more nickel content	1.00
Labor	1.08
Extra furnace time @ 27¢ per hour	3.08
One pound borax	.15
Two pounds nitre @ 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢	.17
Parting and refining	4.07
Alloy	.01
TOTAL	\$ 10.56

Had you included enough high-grade silver with your gold or had forwarded gold of a higher pure gold content, the parting and refining charges would have been lower in proportion to the amount of such metals included, as our parting and refining charges are based upon the amount of base metal, which also includes the charge for nickel, as the latter metal makes it difficult to obtain concordant assays.

Our regular charges are \$1.00 for melting up to 1000 ounces and a treatment charge varying from $\frac{1}{4}$ ¢ to 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ per gross ounce, but when deposits contain considerable nickel and a large amount of base metal, it is necessary that such charges be imposed as are required to put deposits in suitable condition.

Respectfully,

Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

March 6, 1933.

Superintendent,
United States Assay Office,
32 Old Slip, New York City.

Sir:

I have this day forwarded you on Government bill of lading No. T-43021 the Voland & Son assay balance recently forwarded by you to this institution for repairs and adjustment.

This balance has been thoroughly repaired, all metal parts refinished and gold plated and an improved type of rider moving apparatus and index holder made to replace the old; also a new glass sub-base provided.

I have included in this shipment a set of weights and riders.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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Enclosure

March 6, 1933

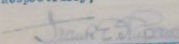
Mr. J. Kinnan,
Columbus, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your inquiry of the 28th ultimo, I am unable to suggest any manner by which you can separate your gold from the sand and clay with which it has been found and the Mint does not make assays of such material.

I would suggest that you send sample of your material to the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake city, Utah, where a reliable assay can be made for you at a charge of \$1.00 for gold and \$1.00 for silver - money order for the proper amount to accompany your sample.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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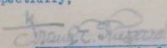
Mr. E. R. Hardie,
715 Clark Street,
Westfield, New Jersey.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 1st instant,
(without signature), inclosing money order for 40¢ for
which you desire one-cent bronze pieces for the calendar
years 1930-1-2-3, please be advised that application for
new coins must be made to the Treasurer of the United
States at Washington, D.C., as per instructions in the
enclosed circular.

Your money order is returned herewith.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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Enclosures

March 7, 1933

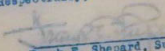
Mr. M. E. McMahan,
Craig, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Referring to the silver dollar enclosed with your letter of the 2nd instant, I have to advise that this dollar appears to be genuine but I am unable to account for the fact that it is slightly larger in diameter than the standard silver dollar, as they are all made in the same manner, unless it has been subjected to pressure.

In order to determine that it is a genuine piece, it would be necessary to make an assay of it which would mutilate it and it would then be worth only its bullion value. I would therefore suggest that it be treated as a genuine coin, its weight being approximately correct, and am returning it to you herewith.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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March 7, 1933

Mr. Charles G. Grenzebach,
511 Brownell Building,
Lincoln, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your inquiry of the 6th instant, you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the weight of the deposit.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat but on the basis of the troy ounce, paying at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for 1000 ounces, or fraction, and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces, or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from $\frac{1}{16}$ ¢ to $8\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ per ounce, according to the amount of base metal contained in the material.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

March 7, 1933

Mr. Charles C. Grenzbach,
311 Brownell Building,
Lincoln, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your inquiry of the 6th instant, you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the weight of the deposit.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat but on the basis of the troy ounce, paying at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for 1000 ounces, or fraction, and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces, or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from $\frac{1}{16}$ ¢ to $8\frac{1}{16}$ ¢ per ounce, according to the amount of base metal contained in the material.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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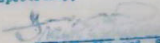
March 7, 1933

Mr. Karl T. Hoffman,
Haddam, Connecticut.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your inquiry as to certain coins
of this institution, you are advised that all applications
for new or uncirculated coins must be made to the Treasurer
of the United States, Washington, D.C., as per the enclosed
circular.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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Stamped envelope returned

March 7, 1933

Mr. H. E. Kapelke,
9 South Tejon Street,
Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your request under date of the 6th instant requesting gold coin instead of check to cover payment of your recent deposit at this institution, I have to advise that check in payment was mailed you prior to the receipt of your card and I am therefore unable to comply with your request in this instance. If you so desire, payment of future deposits will be remitted in gold coin.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

March 7, 1933

Dunkin Gold Group, Inc.,
Breckenridge, Colorado.

Gentlemen:

I am returning herewith copy of lease inclosed with your letter of the 3rd instant and have to advise that only one payment may be made for each deposit at the Mint, under which conditions the Mint is not permitted to pay royalties.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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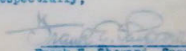
March 7, 1933

Mr. H. M. Pollard,
Lakeside, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 3rd instant, I have to advise that deposits of silver are not accepted for purchase by the Mint unless accompanied by an appreciable amount of gold and the whole must have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content equal to at least one-fifth of the weight of the deposit.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

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March 7, 1933

Mr. H. L. Weston,
3940 Park Boulevard,
San Diego, California.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 2nd instant, I have to advise that the Mint does not sell silver in any form and the article to which you refer was incorrect in stating that silver could be obtained at the Mint.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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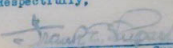
Bank of Douglas,
Douglas, Nevada.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your consignment No. 4770, weighing 13.99 troy ounces, I have to advise that as this weight is considerably below the approximate weight of 16 ounces as stated by you, your approval of the weight as received here is requested before proceeding to treat this material.

Your package was received in good condition and the sack sealed. Please advise me promptly.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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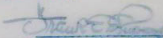
March 7, 1933

Mr. C. E. Ross,
1204 East Nevada Street,
El Paso, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 3rd instant, please
be advised that check, in amount \$111.10, in payment of your
deposit was mailed you on the 2nd instant and no doubt is
now in your hands.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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March 7, 1933

Mr. E. A. Erken,
Capitol Building,
Aberdeen, South Dakota.

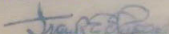
Dear Sir:

Referring to your consignment under date of the 2nd instant, consisting of filled ware weighing 33.74 troy ounces, gold 3.93 and filings and scrap weighing 10.50 troy ounces, or a total weight of 48.16 troy ounces, you are advised that owing to the small precious metal content in this material, it will be necessary for you to send not less than 10 ounces of pure silver to offset its base metal content - the regulations requiring that deposits have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold or pure gold and silver content equal to at least one fifth of the weight of the deposit.

The package containing polishing dirt, iron, rags, etc., is unacceptable and will be returned you upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance.

Your prompt attention will be appreciated.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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March 7, 1933

Mr. E. G. Anderson,
R.F.D. 2, Box 12,
Delta, Colorado.

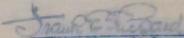
Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 3rd instant, I have to advise that if the placer and retorted gold mentioned therein will have a weight of two troy ounces in gold and does not contain much foreign substance, it may be forwarded here for purchase.

The Mint charges \$1.00 for melting and a small treatment charge based upon the amount of base metal contained in the gold.

Kindly accompany any consignment you may make with a letter of advice, and state the source from which the gold has been produced.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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March 7, 1933

Mr. L. H. Foster,
Morristown, Arizona.

Dear Sir:

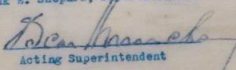
Referring to your consignment under date of the 2nd instant, weighing upon receipt here 1.94 troy ounces, you are advised that two full troy ounces of gold is the very least amount the Mint is permitted to accept for purchase. If you can send enough more of similar material to give your deposit the required weight, I shall be glad to have you do so, otherwise, it will be returned to you upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance.

Your prompt attention will be appreciated.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By


Acting Superintendent

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March 7, 1933

Mr. L. J. Northcutt,
4405 Washington Avenue,
Houston, Texas.

Dear Sir:

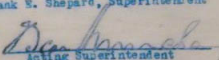
Referring to your letter of the 4th instant in which you state you are forwarding a consignment to the Mint which you desire liquidated by post office money order or American Express check, please be advised that the Mint can not pay for deposits in such manner. I can send you a check on the Treasurer of the United States, which I understand the banks are cashing, or cash by express, charges collect.

Please advise me promptly which of the last two ways you would prefer.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By


Acting Superintendent

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March 7, 1933

Mr. L. J. Northcutt,
4405 Washington Avenue,
Houston, Texas.

Dear Sir:

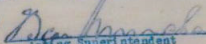
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Please advise me promptly which of the last two ways you would prefer.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By


Acting Superintendent

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March 7, 1933

Mr. J. Maizel,
106 East Cypress Street,
San Antonio, Texas.

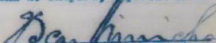
Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 4th instant, I
have to advise that check in payment of your deposit,
which was received here on February 27th, was mailed you
on the 3rd instant and no doubt is now in your hands.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By


Acting Superintendent

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March 7, 1933

Mrs. L. Hersely,
1002 Remington Street,
Fort Collins, Colorado.

Dear Madam:

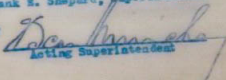
Answering your letter of the 6th instant, I have to advise that if the gold dust to which you refer will have a weight of two full troy ounces of gold, it may be forwarded here for purchase - that being the very minimum accepted by the Mint. If not of that weight, I would suggest that you dispose of it to some local assayer.

Should you forward your material to the Mint, please accompany same with a letter of advice.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By


Acting Superintendent

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March 7, 1933

Mr. Dick Kleseling
720 East Moreland Street,
Phoenix, Arizona.

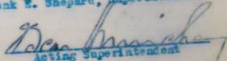
Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 4th instant you are advised that all scales are supposed to weigh accurately and if there is any one in your vicinity using a scale which deviates from the true weight, I would suggest that you report the matter to the city authorities and have their scaler of weights and measures take such action as may be proper in the premises.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By


Acting Superintendent

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March 7, 1935

Mr. H. K. Fuller,
Alexander, Arkansas. Route 2

Dear Sir:

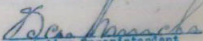
I have your letter of the 4th instant and accompanying shipment which you are advised is not acceptable as a deposit at the Mint.

Please advise me promptly if you desire this material returned to you by express, charges collect, otherwise it will be thrown away.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By


Acting Superintendent

OH:T

March 7, 1938

Federal Gold Refiners,
Santa Fe Building,
Dallas, Texas.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your letter of the 4th instant and accompanying consignment weighing 15.27 troy ounces, I have to advise that included in your material was found one imitation magnet watch charm consisting of brass weighing 53/100 of a troy ounce. As this would only add to the base metal content of your deposit and probably increase the treatment charge, it has been removed therefrom and will be returned you upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance. Kindly forward this to me at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By

Acting Superintendent

OH:T

March 7, 1935

Mr. Clinton Knox,
C/o Citizens State Bank,
Ouray, Colorado.

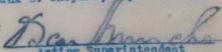
Dear Sir:

Referring to the source of production card forwarded by you to this institution relative to your recent deposit, I have to advise that a letter of advice is necessary before deposits are entered on our books for treatment and in this letter of advice please state if you have been authorized by the owners of the Bootjack Mine to forward this bullion to the Mint and to have payment made to you. In which event, I would suggest that you enclose authority from the owners to that effect.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By


Acting Superintendent

OH:T

March 7, 1933

Mr. A. L. Jones,
Pharr, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 3rd instant, you are advised that the Mint can not make payment for deposits by post office money order but can forward you cash or check, as you may prefer.

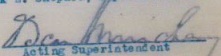
The local newspapers state that the banks are cashing checks on the Treasurer of the United States, provided gold or gold certificates are not requested in payment.

Please advise me promptly as to how you wish payment for this deposit made.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

by


Acting Superintendent

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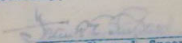
March 8, 1933

Mr. Harry Mednick,
417 Polk Street, O/o Spicers
Amarillo, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 6th instant and accompanying consignment, weighing upon receipt here 220.15 troy ounces, I have to advise that owing to the large amount of base metal contained in your gold filled scrap, it will be necessary for you to send about 50 ounces of sterling silver to render your deposit acceptable for purchase - the regulations requiring that each deposit have a value of \$100.00 and also a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content equal to at least one-fifth of the weight. Upon receipt of this silver, your material will be entered for treatment.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

March 8, 1933

Mr. M. C. Hall,
3500 Henrietta Street,
St. Louis, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 27th ultimo and regret very much the necessity of having to reject your deposit at this institution which contained practically 900 assay parts of base metal out of a possible 1000. The regulations permit the acceptance of only such deposits as have a value of \$100.00, as well as a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of at least 200 assay parts out of a possible 1000.

I am very glad to have a re-assay made of your bar, which has been done, and the re-assays confirm our original assays, so there is no doubt that no mistake has been made at this office.

Under the circumstances it would be impossible for the Mint to accept your deposit and it will be returned you by parcel post insured upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance which I estimate will be 65¢ - 35¢ for postage and 25¢ for insurance.

Regretting the necessity of this action and that I can not help you out in this matter, I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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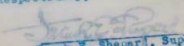
March 8, 1933

Mr. George A. Karr,
63 Logan Street,
Denver, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 6th instant regarding data relative to the receipt of gold from the Black Hills of South Dakota, while in doubt as to just what information you desire, I would suggest that you renew your inquiry to the United States Bureau of Mines in this city, explaining fully the information desired by you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

March 8, 1933

Mr. Charlie Smith,
Church, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 4th instant and accompanying consignment of rock, please be advised that the Mint does not make analyses of such material, but an examination of same indicates that it contains no values in precious metals.

If you desire the return of your material to you, please send me the necessary postage, otherwise it will be thrown away.

Respectfully.


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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March 8, 1933

Mrs. M. Phillips.
Winslow, Arizona.

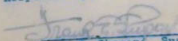
Dear Madam:

Replying to your inquiry of the 6th instant, you advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold for purchase which have a minimum value of \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the weight of the deposit.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat but on the basis of the troy ounce, paying at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for 1000 ounces, or fraction, and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces, or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ to $8\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ per ounce, according to the amount of base metal contained in the material.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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Stamped envelope returned

March 6, 1933

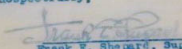
Mr. O. P. Robinett,
Kootenai, Idaho.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your letter of the 1st instant I have returned to you by insured mail the small amount of gold forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase, using 13¢ of the 21¢ in postage enclosed with your letter for that purpose and returning herewith 8¢ in stamps to balance.

Replying to your inquiry, the Government is not operating a smelter in Denver.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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Enclosure

March 8, 1933

Mr. O. J. Harmon,
104 Fellis Apartments,
Sioux City, Iowa.

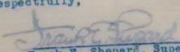
Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 1st instant and accompanying consignment consisting of 5.35 troy ounces of gold and 4.21 troy ounces of filled ware, I have to advise that deposits of this character must have a minimum value of \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content equal to at least one-fifth of their weight.

As your consignment will approximate only about one-half of the required value, it will be necessary for you to send enough more gold to increase its value to at least \$100.00, otherwise, your material will be returned you upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance.

Please advise me promptly.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

March 8, 1933

Mr. B. C. Yates, General Manager,
Homestake Mining Company,
Lead, South Dakota.

Dear Mr. Yates:

Referring to your letter of the 7th instant relative to shipment to you of gold coins as an advance on your recent deposit at this Mint as first contemplated by you, the following telegram was received yesterday from Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Douglas, which I thought might be of interest to you in connection with the payment of these gold coins:

Washington, D.C., March 7

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Authorized to issue gold coin or bars in exchange for gold bullion received. Likewise silver for silver. Charges to be collected as heretofore.

Douglas, Assistant Secretary"

In view of the fact that gold coins are issued only to the value of the gold content in deposits, it would seem permissible to pay gold coins in exchange therefor, which would not be actually paying out any gold - the Government having received the gold equivalent in the deposit.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

March 8, 1933

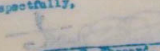
Mr. W. C. Gossaway,
General Delivery,
Memphis, Tennessee.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter and consignment under date of the 5th instant the weight of which you state is 223 ounces, I have to advise that upon receipt here your material weighs 202.68 troy ounces. In view of the fact that you do not state if your weight is on the avoirdupois basis, which, by the way, would just approximate 202.68 troy ounces, I have to request that you will advise me promptly if this is correct - your material being held without treatment pending such advice from you.

Regarding your request for some of our blank forms 104b for use in making shipments to the Mint, please be advised that our stock of these forms has become entirely exhausted and we will not be able to furnish depositors with additional copies for some time.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T

March 8, 1933

Mr. Arthur Dahlan,
Alcester, South Dakota.

Dear Sir:

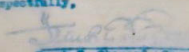
Referring to your letter of the 6th instant, I have today returned you by parcel post lots 1 and 2 of your recent shipment to the Mint, and an enclosing herewith 6¢ in postage due you after paying 39¢ postage and insurance on your package.

Regarding your request to be advised why the Mint could not furnish the necessary sterling silver to render these lots acceptable for purchase, you are advised that the Mint does not sell silver under any conditions and furthermore deposits are supposed to be in acceptable condition when received at the Mint.

The addition of silver to these lots is necessary because they contain a large amount of base metal - the regulations requiring that in addition to the necessity of deposits having a value of \$100.00, they shall also have a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of 200 assay parts out of a possible 1000, your lots 1 and 2 being deficient in this respect.

Lots 3, 4, 5 and 6 have been entered for treatment.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CR:T

Enclosure

March 8, 1935

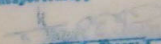
Mr. T. B. Snyder,
Fowler, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Answering your postal card of the 7th instant, I have to advise that in order to make an assay of the gold ring to which you refer, the Mint would have to melt it and impose our charge for a gold and silver assay in the sum of \$4.00, unless the ballion contains some of the platinum group of metals, in which case an extra charge of \$1.00 for each assay of gold and silver would be imposed.

Should you desire to have the metal stamped with its weight and fineness by the Mint, a melting charge of \$1.00 in addition to the above assay charges would have to be imposed.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T

March 8, 1933

Mr. J. L. Gerelick,
Manager, Jewelry Department,
The Davidson Company,
Des Moines, Iowa.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your inquiry of the 4th instant, you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one fifth of the weight of the deposit.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat but on the basis of the troy ounce, paying at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for 1000 ounces, or fraction, and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces, or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ to $\frac{3}{4}$ ¢ per ounce, according to the amount of base metal contained in the material.

The Mint does not purchase platinum nor undertakes to separate it from the other metals contained in the deposit for return to the depositor.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:7

March 8, 1933

Mr. R. C. Webb,
202 South 8th Street,
Lawton, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 4th instant, you are advised that no one outside the Mint has any authority to purchase old gold for the United States Government or to act as an agent of this institution in any way whatsoever.

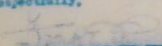
The Mint will accept deposits of old gold which have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the weight of the deposit.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat but on the basis of the troy ounce, paying at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for 1000 ounces, or fraction, and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces, or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ to $8\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ per ounce, according to the amount of base metal contained in the material.

I regret that I am unable to furnish you any information as to where you may obtain any equipment for use in the purchase of old gold.

Should you make any shipments to the Mint, kindly accompany same with a letter of advice and have all transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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Stamped envelope returned

March 8, 1933

Service Jewelers,
1915½ Main Street,
Dallas, Texas.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your consignment of the 6th instant, I have to advise that this material weighs upon receipt here 341.08 troy ounces instead of 344 ounces as stated in your letter accompanying same.

Owing to this discrepancy in weight, your material is being held without treatment and you are requested to advise us promptly if the weight of this material as received at the Mint meets with your approval.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OE:T

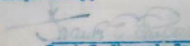
March 8, 1923

Margaret A. Donovan,
101 East 34th Street,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Madam:

Replying to your letter of the 3rd instant, please be advised that the Mint does not purchase old gold in lots under a value of \$100.00, under which circumstances the Mint could not accept for purchase your 18-karat gold watch case.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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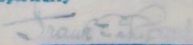
March 8, 1933

Mr. Richard Hospes,
2245 South Broadway,
St. Louis, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 6th instant, you are advised that payment in gold coins covering gold value of deposits will be made depositors and silver coin or check for the silver value - shipment of same to be made at the risk and expense of the depositor - or check for the entire value will be issued.

Respectfully


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OE:T

March 8, 1933

Mr. C. S. Richey,
1143 Lime Street,
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

Answering your note of the 3rd instant, you are advised that mineral samples should be forwarded to the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, where gold and silver determinations can be made for you at a charge of \$1.00 for gold and \$1.00 for silver, each sample, money order for the proper amount to be forwarded with such samples to that office.

I would suggest that you write to the United States Land Office in Denver, Colorado, if you desire to register a mineral claim.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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March 8, 1935

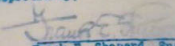
Mr. Jacob Whittels,
2001 Market Street,
St. Louis, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 6th instant stating you are forwarding approximately 4 pounds and 4 ounces to the Mint, I have to advise that a package containing industrial scrap weighing 28.10 troy ounces has been received from you and before this material may be entered for treatment, you are requested to advise me promptly if this weight meets with your approval.

In forwarding your letters of advice, please state the nature of the contents of your package sent to the Mint.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

Carbon copy to
Sid Sidenberg,
c/o Savoy Hotel
Alton, Illinois.

March 8, 1933

Mrs. M. L. Huelle,
General Delivery,
Enid, Oklahoma.

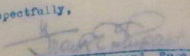
Dear Madam:

Replying to your inquiry of the 7th instant you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the weight of the deposit. It is not necessary to melt your material into a bar before forwarding it to the Mint.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat but on the basis of the troy ounce, paying at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for 1000 ounces, or fraction, and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces, or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from $\frac{1}{16}$ ¢ to $\frac{8}{16}$ ¢ per ounce, according to the amount of base metal contained in the material.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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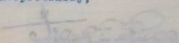
March 9, 1933

The Swinner-Mercere Company,
191 Madison Avenue,
Memphis, Tennessee.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your consignment under date of the 6th instant, I have to advise that this dental scrap upon receipt here weighs 30.23 troy ounces instead of 30.75 ounces according to your weight. As this is 52/100 of a troy ounce less than stated by you, you are requested to advise me promptly if the weight of this deposits as received at the Mint meets with your approval.

respectfully,


Frank E. Shepards, Superintendent

CH:T

March 9, 1933

Mr. J. A. R. Cohn,
Youngsville, New Mexico.

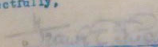
Dear Sir:

I have your letter and consignment under date of the 7th instant and have to advise that your material enclosed in a small bottle received in broken condition inside of pasteboard covering and wrapping paper, weighed upon receipt here 2.32 troy ounces instead of 6 ounces as stated by you. Except for the broken bottle, your package was received intact.

Regarding the purchase of this material, which appears to be jewelry filings, I have to advise that only deposits of placer gold are accepted having a value under \$100.00, and as your consignment is apparently from manufactured gold, you will have to increase its value to \$100.00 before it may be accepted for purchase. It is also necessary that such consignments contain at least one-fifth of their weight in pure gold, or pure gold and silver.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance your shipment will be returned you.

Respectfully,


Frank M. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

March 9, 1933

Mrs. S. W. Diamond,
1720 West 5th Street,
Sioux City, Iowa.

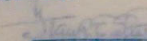
Dear Madam:

Replying to your letter of the 1st instant, you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the weight of the material. No recommendations are necessary.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat but on the basis of the troy ounce, paying at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less a charge of \$1.00 for melting up to 1000 ounces and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces, or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from $\frac{1}{16}$ ¢ to $\frac{3}{16}$ ¢ per ounce, according to the amount of base metal contained in the deposit.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

March 9, 1933

Mr. S. L. Adams,
6235 East 14th Street,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 6th instant, you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the weight of the material.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat but on the basis of the troy ounce, paying at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounces of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for each 1000 ounces, or fraction, and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces, or fraction, also a treatment charge which varies from $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ to $8\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ per ounce according to the amount of base metal contained in the deposit.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

March 9, 1933

Midwest Distributors,
Suite 203-11, 816-8 - Fourth Street,
Sioux City, Iowa.

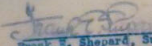
Gentlemen:

Replying to your inquiry of the 8th instant, you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the weight of the material.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat but on the basis of the troy ounce, paying at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less \$1.00 for melting up to 1000 ounces and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces, or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ to $\frac{3}{4}$ ¢ per ounce according to the amount of base metal contained in the deposit.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

March 9, 1933

Mr. Howard K. Sorensen,
436 - 29th Street,
Ogden, Utah.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 8th instant, you are advised that placer gold is accepted at the Mint for purchase when deposits contain at least two full troy ounces of gold, the value of such gold usually averaging from \$14.00 to \$16.00 per troy ounce before deducting the Mint charges.

The Mint accepts deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the weight of the material.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat but on the basis of the troy ounce, paying at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less \$1.00 for melting up to 1000 ounces and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces, or fraction; also a treatment charge varying from $\frac{1}{4}$ ¢ to $\frac{3}{4}$ ¢ per ounce, according to the amount of base metal contained in the material.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

March 10, 1933

George Kadin Company,
314 Empire Building,
Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your consignments Nos. 179 and 180, your weights being 78 and 86-2/3 ounces, respectively, I have to advise that upon receipt here Lot No. 179 weighs 88.69 troy ounces and Lot No. 180, 63.04 troy ounces. As these weights are a wide variation from the weights given by you, I have to request that you will endeavor in your letters of advice to advise me more closely as to the character and weights of your deposits in order that I may be assured that the material received here has the weight and character intended to be forwarded by you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:7

March 10, 1933

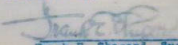
Mrs. Jenette Wheatley,
Searchlight, Nevada.

Dear Madam:

In compliance with your request under date of the 4th instant, I have this day returned to you by insured mail the amalgam forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase, using 19 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ of the 48¢ in postage enclosed with your letter for that purpose and returning 29 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ in stamps herewith to balance.

Regretting that I could not be of assistance to you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

Enclosure

March 10, 1933

Mr. H. S. Ojers,
Beloit, Kansas.

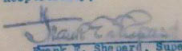
Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter and consignment under date of the 6th instant, the latter weighing upon receipt here 6.82 troy ounces, you are advised that gold in the form of manufactured articles to be acceptable for purchase by the Mint must have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content equal to not less than one-fifth of the weight of the deposit.

As the value of your deposit is considerably below the above minimum, I estimate it will require gold having a value of about \$40.00 to render it acceptable for purchase.

Unless you can send this additional gold promptly, kindly forward me the necessary postage and insurance for the return of your consignment to you until such time as you may be able to send a deposit of the proper amount to the Mint.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

March 10, 1933

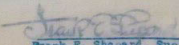
Mr. E. E. Putnam,
Hillside, Arizona.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your letter of the 7th instant, I have this day returned to you by insured mail the small amount of gold forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase, using 18¢ of the 40¢ in postage enclosed with your letter for that purpose and returning 22¢ in stamps herewith to balance.

Regretting that I could not be of assistance to you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T
Enclosure

March 10, 1933

Mr. W. T. Williamson,
Custer, Montana.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 8th instant, I have to advise that the Mint does not sell silver in any quantity nor am I able to advise you from whom you could purchase small amounts of that metal.

Respectfully,

Frank S. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

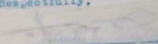
March 10, 1933

Texaco Petroleum Products,
Mr. E. W. Capouch,
North Judson, Indiana.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 8th instant, I have to advise that I have no information concerning the mining companies mentioned by you nor would the Mint under any circumstances recommend the stock of any mining company as an investment, such practice being contrary to the policy of this institution.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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Stamped envelope returned

March 10, 1933

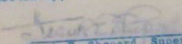
Mr. E. W. Grimes,
Payson, Arizona.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your shipment under date of the 7th instant, you are advised that two full troy ounces is the very minimum of placer gold accepted for purchase and in view of the fact that your consignment weighs but 1.61 troy ounces, the Mint can not accept this material for purchase.

Unless you can promptly send enough additional gold to give your deposit the required weight, you are requested to forward me the necessary postage and insurance for the return of your shipment to you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

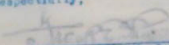
March 10, 1933

Mr. Harry Mednick,
C/o Spicers, 417 Polk Street,
Amarillo, Texas.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your letter of the 9th instant,
the material previously forwarded by you to this institu-
tion will be held ten days in order that you may obtain
the necessary silver to render your deposit acceptable for
purchase by the Mint.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

March 10, 1933

Mr. J. Maizel,
106 East Cypress Street,
San Antonio, Texas.

Dear Sir:

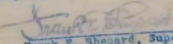
Answering your letter of the 6th, I have to say when deposits are accepted for purchase by the Mint, the various articles composing the deposit are melted into a bar and this bar assayed to determine its pure gold and silver fineness, this being the only reliable method to ascertain its value.

By fineness is meant the number of assay parts of pure gold and silver contained in the bar, the balance being classed as base metal, 1000 assay parts being a unit. Your bar contained $510\frac{1}{2}$ assay parts of pure gold out of a possible 1000, 147 assay parts of silver, leaving a balance composed of base metals amounting to $342\frac{1}{2}$.

Your consignment consisted of some buttons and industrial scrap, which contained the silver reported and for which you received payment, nothing having been added to your deposit after it reached this institution.

The Mint imposes a melting charge of \$1.00 on each deposit of 1000 ounces, or fraction, and when they contain a large amount of nickel, as happened to be the case with your deposit, an additional melting charge of \$1.00 is made. There is also imposed a treatment charge which is based upon the amount of base metal contained in the deposit, which in the case of your deposit amounted to 63¢.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

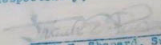
March 10, 1923

Mr. E. M. Gatewood,
504 Main Street,
Malvern, Arkansas.

Dear Sir:

Answering your inquiry of the 7th instant, you are advised that the Mint does not accept gold scrap for purchase in amounts less than \$100.00 and when the pure gold, or pure gold and silver content is less than one-fifth of the weight of the deposit.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

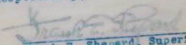
March 10, 1933

Mr. Morris Rosenberg,
922 Republic Bank,
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 8th instant in reference to the payment of your deposit of February 27th. please be advised that this shipment was received at the Mint on March 1st and check in payment mailed you on the 7th instant, a delay having occurred owing to the difficulty in obtaining concordant assays of your material, requiring your bar to be re-assayed several times.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

March 11, 1933

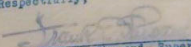
Dr. N. H. Oremland,
Eagle Building,
Rock Springs, Wyoming.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter and consignment under date of the 7th instant, and have to advise that your deposit, weighing 3.53 troy ounces, is of insufficient value for purchase by the Mint, which accepts deposits of such character only when containing a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content equal to not less than one-fifth of the weight of the material.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance your material will be returned you, and I have to request that if in future you forward any dental or gold scrap to the Mint, you will remove all teeth, etc., as the Mint does not accept deposits when such articles are forwarded therewith.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

March 11, 1933

Mr. H. C. Sellers,
Holsington, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your inquiry of the 9th instant, you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the weight of the deposit.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat but on the basis of the troy ounce, paying at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for 1000 ounces, or fraction, and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces, or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from $\frac{1}{4}$ ¢ to $\frac{3}{4}$ ¢ per ounce, according to the amount of base metal contained in the material.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

March 11, 1933

Mr. C. W. Thompson,
182 Chestnut Street,
Abilene, Texas.

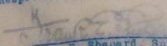
Dear Sir:

Answering your inquiry of recent date, you are advised that the Mint accepts deposits of old gold for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the weight of the deposit. It is not necessary to refine or melt your material into a bar before forwarding it to the Mint.

The Mint does not buy gold by the karat but on the basis of the troy ounce, paying at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less a melting charge of \$1.00 for 1000 ounces, or fraction, and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces, or fraction; also a treatment charge which varies from $\frac{1}{16}$ ¢ to $8\frac{1}{16}$ ¢ per ounce, according to the amount of base metal contained in the material.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

March 11, 1932

Mr. Ben Noble,
Houston, Texas.

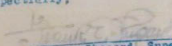
Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 7th instant, please be advised that upon receipt here your deposit was weighed in the presence of two employees after unpacking and again after melting, its weight being 31.82 troy ounces, or 68/100 of a troy ounce less than stated by you. Your attention was not called to this discrepancy because you stated its weight would be about 650 penny weight, or 32.50 troy ounces.

I have had your bar re-assayed and these assays check our original assays in all respects, which would indicate that the material forwarded by you was not as rich in gold as you anticipated and the silver content of much lower fineness than you thought.

I am glad to have you advise me whenever payment for your deposits seem to be incorrect and to correct any errors which may be found, but in this case there is no doubt but you received full payment both for the gold and silver contained in your deposit.

Respectfully,


Frank S. Shepard, Superintendent

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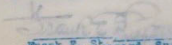
March 11, 1938

Mr. George Clements,
Grandview, Idaho.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your recent shipment to the Mint, which you forwarded without a letter of advice, I have to advise that the regulations require that before deposits may be entered for treatment a letter of advice covering the shipment shall be received by me. In future, kindly comply with this requirement, which is for your protection as well as for the convenience of the Mint.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

March 11, 1933

Mr. Mart McDonald,
Payson, Arizona.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 7th instant in which you state you are sending about 4 ounces of gold amalgam, I have to advise that your 4 retorts, upon receipt here, weigh 2.49 troy ounces and before proceeding to treat this gold, you are requested to advise me if this weight is satisfactory to you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

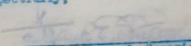
March 11, 1933

Mr. B. C. Clark,
Purcell, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 9th instant, you are advised that the Mint will forward you gold coins for the gold content of your deposits and a check for the silver values, or currency for the entire amount will be sent you. In both cases, the transmission of such payments to be at your expense and risk.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

March 11, 1933

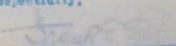
Service Jewelers,
1915 Main Street,
Dallas, Texas.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your consignment under date of the 9th instant, you are advised that upon receipt here your material weighs 20.28 troy ounces, instead of a total of 21.35 ounces according to miscellaneous weights given by you.

I am holding this shipment without treatment, and have to request that you will advise me promptly if the weight as received here meets with your approval.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

March 11, 1923

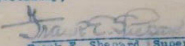
Mr. J. J. Kantz,
710 Fourth Street,
Sioux City, Iowa.

Dear Sir:

Referring to the last paragraph of your letter of the 4th instant, you are advised that if the payment you received for your consignment falls below the value you anticipate receiving, it is because you misjudged the quality of the material which you have forwarded here.

The addition of silver does not in any way lower the gold assay, but is necessary to raise the fineness of deposits when the gold articles forward consist of low-grade gold with a high base metal content. You receive payment for the silver thus included and also a lower treatment charge on your deposit, since the more silver you add to your deposit, the lower the base metal content.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

March 11, 1933

Mr. Leroy J. Bart,
C/o B. M. San,
Hot Springs, South Dakota.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 1st inst^{at}, I have to advise that as the Mint does not make analyses of mineral bearing specimens, you were misinformed that Mr. Martin Cline forwarded some ore here and obtained an analysis of its gold and silver content.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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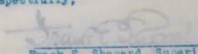
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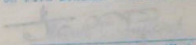
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DAY LETTER

DENVER MARCH 13, 1933

WILLIAM FORER
106 West Exchange Place,
FORT WORTH TEXAS

ANSWERING YOUR LETTER TENTH INSTANT BUTTON WEIGHS SEVEN POINT
FIFTEEN TROY OUNCES APPEARS TO BE HIGH GRADE VIRGIN GOLD AND NOT SCRAP
BUT CANNOT STATE DEFINITELY STOP VALUE ONLY ASCERTAINABLE BY MELTING AND
ASSAYING BUTTON AT CHARGE OF FOUR OR FIVE DOLLARS PAYABLE IN ADVANCE.



Superintendent Mint

Collect Charges at Fort Worth

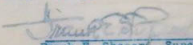
March 13, 1933

Federal Gold Refiners,
Santa Fe Building,
Dallas, Texas.

Gentlemen:

As requested in your letter of March 9th, I have returned to you by insured mail the nugget forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase. using 8¢ of the 25¢ in postage enclosed with your letter for that purpose and returning herewith 17¢ in stamps to balance.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

Enclosure

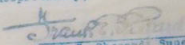
March 13, 1933

Mr. E. A. Erken,
Capitol Building,
Aberdeen, South Dakota.

Dear Sir:

Complying with your request under date of the 9th instant, I have this day returned to you by insured mail the polishing material forwarded here with your recent consignment, using 31¢ of the 35¢ in postage enclosed with your letter for that purpose and returning herewith 4¢ in stamps to balance.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T
Enclosure

March 13, 1933

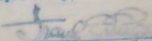
Anna P. Bernard,
456 East Clinton Street,
Frankfort, Indiana.

Dear Madam:

I have your letter of the 10th instant enclosing small gold piece and regret to advise that the Mint can not purchase this gold from you as deposits of this character must have a minimum value of \$100.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance your gold piece will be returned to you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

March 13, 1933

Lewis Reinhold Company,
Attention: Mr. F. H. Pink,
Manning, Iowa.

Gentlemen:

Answering your letter of the 9th instant, I have to advise that there is no way so far as I am aware by which you could strip the gold from your gold-filled watch cases. Such articles are accepted as a deposit at the Mint for purchase if the pure gold content of the cases will have a value of at least \$100.00 and sufficient high-grade silver is included therewith to give your deposit a pure gold and silver content of at least one-fifth of its weight.

If you have any good gold, I would suggest that it be added to the shipment, as gold-filled articles contain very little pure gold.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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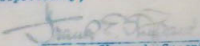
March 13, 1933

Citizens State Bank,
Ouray, Colorado.

Gentlemen:

I have to return herewith the agreement lease
between E. R. Baur and Clinton Knox forwarded with your
letter of the 10th instant.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

Enclosure

March 13, 1933

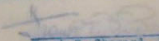
Mr. John G. Mowbray,
Red Lion, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 11th instant, you are advised that if your gold nugget contains at least two troy ounces of gold and is free from all foreign substances, it may be forwarded here for purchase, but the Mint could not purchase your nugget chain unless it would have a value of at least \$100 and a pure gold or pure gold and silver content equal to at least one-fifth of its weight. Or if your nugget and chain would together have a value of \$100.00 and a precious metal content of at least one-fifth of their weight, they could be combined into one deposit.

Should you forward these articles here for purchase please accompany same with a letter of advice.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

March 13, 1933

Mr. John A. Walker,
Troy, Kansas,

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 10th instant and have to advise that while the Mint will purchase old gold in lots having a value not under \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content equal to at least one-fifth of the weight of the material, I am unable to give you any information that would assist you in acquiring such material.

I am also unable to advise you regarding the other information requested in your letter, the activities of this institution being confined entirely to minting and the purchase of gold and silver deposits. I would suggest, however, before you purchase any old gold for resale, that you endeavor to learn from some one who has experience in this line of work what you should pay and how to judge the various articles you contemplate buying. Perhaps some reliable jeweler would be willing to advise you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

Stamp returned

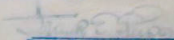
March 13, 1933

Federal Gold Refiners,
Santa Fe Building,
Dallas, Texas.

Gentlemen:

Answering your letter of the 11th instant, please be advised that I know of no reason that would cause any delay in making prompt returns on deposits received at the Mint, these payments being made as soon as consignments are melted and assayed and their value calculated.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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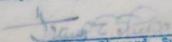
March 13, 1933

Mr. H. P. McElreath,
Cartersville, Georgia.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 9th instant, you are advised that deposits of placer gold must be practically free from black sand in order to be acceptable for purchase by the Mint, such deposits being accepted only when they contain at least two full troy ounces of gold.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

March 13, 1933

Mr. Nathan Rosenberg,
922 Republic Building,
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Sir:

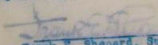
Answering your letter of the 11th instant addressed to Mr. Monahan, Acting Warrant Clerk at this institution, I have to advise that no changes have been made relative to the privilege applying to the purchase of old gold or silver and forwarding it to the Mint for resale, payment being made therefor as promptly as possible within three to five days, due allowance being made for intervening Sundays and holidays.

Depositors may receive in payment check on the Treasurer of the United States, or if preferred, gold coin for the gold content of their deposits or currency for the entire amount of both gold and silver, both of which will be shipped at the risk and expense of the depositor by express or registered mail.

No change has been made in regard to the minimum value which deposits must contain in order to be acceptable for purchase, which remains at \$100.00.

It is advisable to include silver in most gold shipments which do not have a high gold content, as such silver reduces the proportion of the base metals contained in deposits and thereby lessens the amount of the treatment charge imposed.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

March 13, 1933

Mr. H. J. Diamond,
218 McGowen Avenue,
Houston, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letters of the 10th instant, please be advised that I am unable to furnish you the names and addresses of any dealers from which you could purchase silver in small amounts for addition to your deposits at the Mint.

Regarding your question as to the propriety of using the name of the United States Mint in advertisements, I have to state that the wording suggested in your letter would carry the impression that the Mint employs agents, or that the party who inserted the advertisement was acting in some manner for the Mint, which is contrary to all practice, and you are requested to omit any reference to the Mint in such advertisements.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

March 13, 1933

Mr. A. E. Wilkinson,
208 Federal Building,
Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Dear Sir:

Complying with the request contained in your letter of the 9th instant, I am enclosing a circular giving full information relative to the conditions under which deposits are accepted at the Mint which I believe contains all the information you may desire pertinent to that subject.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T
Enclosure

March 13, 1933

Mr. F. W. Pollman,
La Cygne, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your consignment under date of the 10th instant, you are advised that upon receipt here your material weighs 22.47 troy ounces instead of 457 pennyweights (22.85 troy ounces) as stated by you.

In view of this discrepancy in weight, you are requested to advise me promptly if the Mint weight is satisfactory to you before I proceed to treat this deposit.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

March 13, 1933

Mr. Robert Martin
Silver Cliff, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

I am returning herewith the fragments of the \$5.00 Confederate note forwarded with your letter of recent date and have to advise that the Mint does not deal in old money in any manner, hence I can not purchase this from you, nor advise you if it has any value.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CR:T
Enclosure

March 13, 1933

Mrs. Nancy Marshall,
2525 Elmwood,
Kansas City, Missouri.

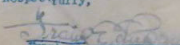
Dear Madam:

Answering your letter of the 10th instant, you are advised that the Mint will pay for deposits in gold coin or currency for the pure gold contained therein, or by check for the full amount as desired by the depositor. When payment is made in gold coin or currency, such payments are forwarded by express, collect, or by registered mail at the risk and expense of the depositor.

The Mint pays \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold contained in deposits, less our charges of \$1.00 for melt, gold and a parting and refining charge which varies with the amount of base metal contained in deposits. Each deposit must have a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content equal to at least one-fifth of the weight of the deposit.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice before being entered for treatment.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

March 13, 1933

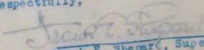
Mr. H. W. Osborn,
Yakima, Washington.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your note of the 7th instact please be advised that the Mint will accept freshly mined gold in deposits containing at least two full troy ounces of gold but does not accept deposits which have been collected with mercury, unless the mercury has been driven off.

Should you make any shipments here, they should be forwarded by insured parcel post or registered mail, accompanied by a letter of advice.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Sheppard, Superintendent

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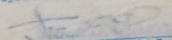
March 14, 1923

Mr. John Westphal,
106 South Iowa Avenue,
Washington, Iowa.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 11th instant and accompanying consignment weighing 3.20 troy ounces, you are advised that the Mints do not purchase old gold when the value of the deposit is under \$100.00, and I have therefore to request that you forward me the necessary postage and insurance for the return of this consignment to you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

March 14, 1933

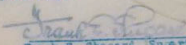
Mr. C. E. Henson,
First National Bank,
Hot Springs, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

Your second shipment accompanying your letter of the 10th instant weighs upon receipt here 51/100 of a troy ounce, giving a total weight for your two shipments of 1.96 troy ounces.

As previously advised, the very minimum the Mints are permitted to accept is two full troy ounces of gold, and therefore your material is being held without treatment for additional gold required, unless you desire it returned to you, in which case kindly send me the necessary postage and insurance.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OE:T

March 14, 1933

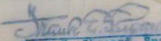
Mr. Morris Rosenberg,
922 Republic Building,
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 11th instant, you are advised that check in payment of your deposit referred to therein left Denver by registered mail on March 8th, receipt No. 50477, and was addressed to your former address, 102 Paydras Street, Dallas, that being the only address we had at the time this check was forwarded.

I would suggest that you make inquiry of your Postmaster regarding this remittance and I have no doubt he will deliver it to you if you have not already received it.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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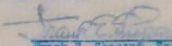
March 14, 1933

Mr. J. C. Pelton,
Salmon, Idaho.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your shipment under date of the 10th instant, you are advised that your material weighs only 1.87 troy ounces and therefore falls short of the minimum weight of two full troy ounces required by the Mint. I am unable to purchase this gold from you and it will be returned you upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance unless it is possible for you to forward promptly enough more gold to give your deposit the required weight of two troy ounces.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

